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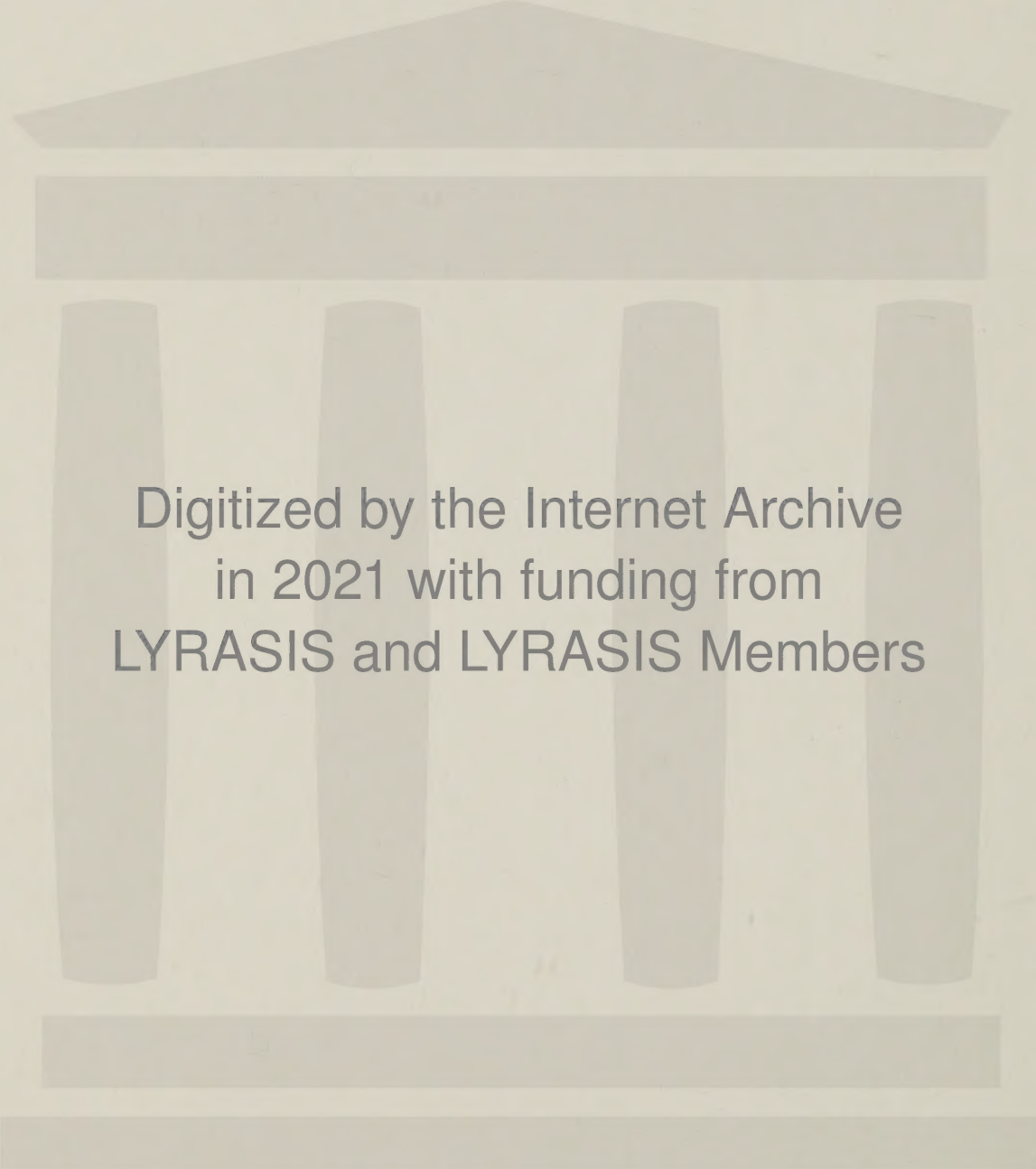
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A yearbook reflects more than just a school year in photos. It should embody the very spirit of the students enrolled and represent the "marks" left by each individual. The yearbook staff, Jessi Stanley, Rebecca Owens, Beth French, Deidra Osborne, Sharma Smith, Raquel Mullins, and Regan Puckett, worked tirelessly to provide this record for your enjoyment and reflection.

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Others May Not...

But We Are ALL—

MAKING OUR MARK

How does one make a mark? It can be made with pencils, pens, and paint: physical substances that leave obvious evidence that everyone can see. However, positive attitudes, outstanding grades, sports awards, community service and even simple smiles leave behind traces that *something*, no matter how great or small, occurred.

Blue Knights' marks varied from person to person. Athletes conquered their opponents, leaving them with the agony of defeat. Scholars pushed themselves into excelling in academics and received scholarships and awards. Thespians, musicians, and artists used their creative talents to express themselves while entertaining oth-

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ers, and some groups performed various good deeds for the benefit of both the school and community. Still others used hands-on experiences to prepare themselves for future occupations. However, several Knights were satisfied with simply offering a kind word or a shy smile to mark their presence.

Whatever the accomplishment and whether performed as an individual or a group, all 688 Knights left a legacy that will continue to affect others. Whether the action was monstrous or minute, all of us were **making our mark**.

-Beth French

American food offers a change in taste for German exchange student Hjordis Hennig. While eating at Piccadilly Cafeteria in Bristol, Hjordis enjoys a strawberry and banana dessert, which appears a little hard to swallow.



After hitting her 1,000 point mark in basketball, Brandi Collins receives a supportive bear hug from her dad, Bobby Collins



The giant obstacle of Flag Rock in Norton poses no threat for Brandon Blankenbecler, who uses all of his strength and stamina to overcome his inanimate opponent and capture a beautiful view of Norton just before sunset.

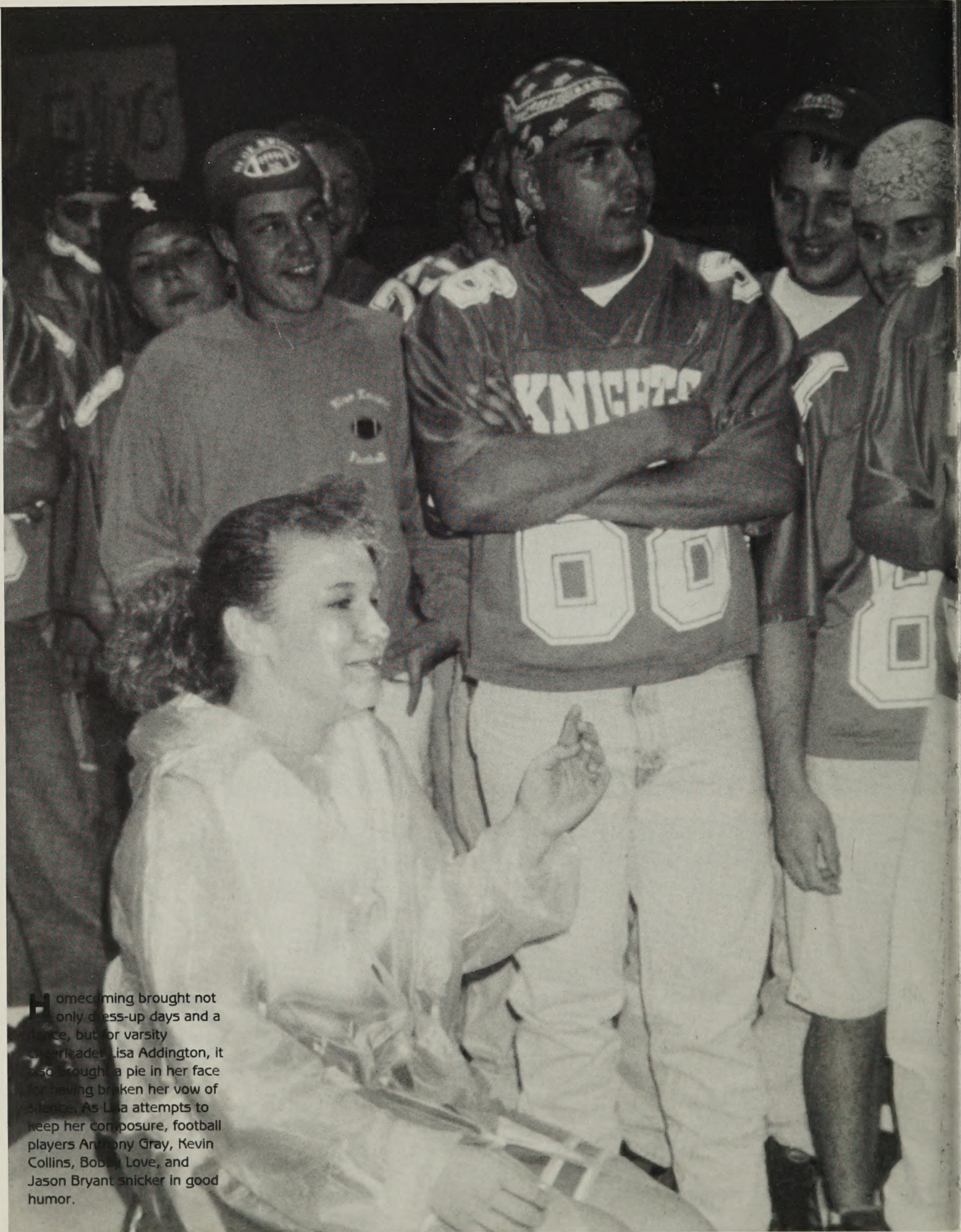
Hoping one day it will be *her* hand prints in front of Mann's Chinese Theater in Hollywood, California, instead of Shirley Temple's, Beth French pauses in mid-daydream about her future success in the entertainment industry.



After achieving the honor of Eagle Scout, Robert Robbins shakes hands with band director, Mr. Mike Phillips. Robert is one of only a few students who has received this high achievement.



Planting flowers for other students to enjoy even after they graduate, Crystal Ball and Suzy Bevins participate in a Co-Ed-Hi-Y sponsored activity.



H omecoming brought not only dress-up days and a dance, but for varsity cheerleader Lisa Addington, it also brought a pie in her face for having broken her vow of silence. As Lisa attempts to keep her composure, football players Anthony Gray, Kevin Collins, Bobby Love, and Jason Bryant snicker in good humor.

Making our mark with

Student Life

Throughout the year, students were offered the opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities that broke monotonous daily cycles.

Off campus, the Virginia-Kentucky District Fair from August 14-19 closed summer vacation while the Guest River Rally, September 1-4, ushered in both football and the fall season. Pep-rallies kept vocal cords strained and ear drums numb. September 18-22 brought an abundance of blue and white clothing along with dress-up days and a dance for Homecoming. Couples clung to each other and danced the night away at the Cultural Arts Building during the Christmas Dance on December 1. Valentine's Day again set the mood for couples at the Sweetheart Dance on February 16, although a few singles took it upon themselves to tear down the red and white streamers in the cafeteria before the clock struck midnight. On March 22, foreign language students played games and ate fabulous food at Mardi Gras and sequined gowns and immaculate tuxedos adorned the bodies of upperclassmen Knights at the Junior-Senior Prom.

Whatever the event, Knights were given the chance to prove that life does not just have to be "eat, sleep, study" and that either as an individual or as a group, they could participate and make their mark.

-Beth French



Although senior Thomas Lester does not normally dress in drag, he decided to go out on a limb in his final school days and dress-up for the Mr. C.H.S. contest.



Spirit links and dressing up were fun events of Homecoming week. Here Regan Puckett demonstrates both by dressing as a nerd and helping her class win the spirit link contest.



Mocking the California Raisins on Cartoon Day, Jason Bryant, Sidney Flanary, Brandon Blankenbecler, and Ryan Flanary used their creativity, originality, and imaginations to brighten the halls during Homecoming week.

Is it possible that their "shapely" legs enabled them to win first place on Cartoon Day?



Dressing up everyday was fun and not a problem for most, but Beth Helbert as Dorothy from the *Wizard of Oz*, has a problem: it seems she has lost her dog, Toto.

Wilma and Fred must have been lost without Sarah Sheets on September 19 when she came to school as Pebbles.



CELEBRATION WEEK



Homecoming week, always a festive and memorable time, enabled students to demonstrate school spirit while providing a chance for grade levels to compete against each other.

On Monday, September 18, the week began with "Just Got Out of Bed" Day.

Tuesday, students flashed back to their grandparents' teenage years for "Fifties" Day.

"Cartoon" Day on Wednesday proved to be an unusual day as various cartoon characters roamed the halls.

On Thursday, some students appeared grungy while others let their nerdy

sides shine through.

Friday allowed all students to let their school spirit show with "Blue and White" Day.

Concluding the week's events was the pep rally where the seniors won the spirit stick and the sophomores took the Olympic events.



Though she appears to be sleeping, Beth French is really proving she has just sleep-walked to school.

Showing their game faces, Brandon Blankenbecler and Michael Blankenbecler are ready to let the Abingdon Falcons know that this game is not going to be easy.



Dressed as cartoons characters, Megan Hamilton, Traci Burke, Jeria Kiser, and Margaret Perry look thrilled to let the child in each of them come through.

For Chandra Dykes and Lakisha Dykes, Cartoon Day is a chance for them to relive some of their childhood memories.



Being crowned by Jason Sartin as Homecoming Queen was an emotional event for Brandi Collins.



After a victorious Homecoming game over the Abingdon Falcons, Jessica Bates spends the rest of her night celebrating with friends at the dance.

Line dancing is a popular trend as these students demonstrate at the Homecoming Dance.



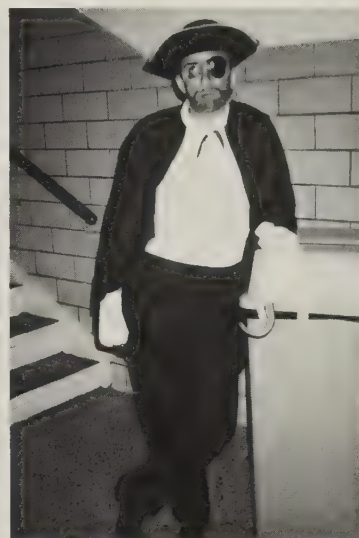
CROWNING MOMENTS

Despite the rain, the Blue Knights had an exciting ballgame, defeating the Abingdon Falcons 52-13. The highlight of the night was

Brandi Collins being crowned Homecoming Queen.

A Homecoming Dance followed the game to celebrate the win. The theme

of the dance was "You Have the Right to Remain Silent" by Perfect Strangers.



Kristie Hall enjoys cramming a pie in the face of cheerleader Heather Horne on "Silent" Cheerleader Day.

On Cartoon Day during Homecoming Week, Jessica Dotson was able to fool everyone into thinking she was really Captain Hook.



The Homecoming Court consisted of Elisha Hill, (Sophomore); Missy Willis, (Junior); Sarah Robbins, (Senior); Brandi Collins, (Senior); Misti Sayers, (Senior); Brooke Dotson, (Freshmen); and Kristen McConnell, (Eighth grade).



Impersonating the famous "Lady in Red", Sam Adams strikes a really pretty pose.



Hugging his escort, April Winebarger, after claiming the title of Mr. CHS, Freddie Lundy wears a smug look of triumph.



"I just know I'm beautiful," seems to be the thought Eric Ratliff's facial and hand expressions are conveying.

If one could see the lovely face behind the beard, maybe Brandon Blankenbecler would have had a better chance in the contest.



LEAVING AN IMPRESSION

What makes a guy decide to put on wigs and dresses? The hope of winning the title of Mr. CHS is what convinced our male students. It

took a sense of humor and great courage to face the student body in women's attire. Only a few had what it took and only *one* could take the crown; this year it

was Freddie Lundy. Even though the others did not win, each made his *mark* by leaving an impression never to be forgotten.

-Regan Puckett



With his huge grin and slim figure, Michael Blankenbecler seems to be laughing at the real females whose bodies do not compare to the perfection of his.

Showing off his exceptional legs, Scott Still hikes up his dress as far as he possibly can without exposing his "unmentionables."



Trying to be friendly with the competition, but at the same time trying to look better than they do, this group of "girls" pause for all admiring eyes.

LOOKING AT THE FUTURE

There are unique ways to leave an impression and these people have found them. They are starting now to plan for

their futures. Many students, like the ones pictured on these pages, began to make their *marks* by developing skills for the

future in their social activities.

-Sharma Smith

Making their mark as a couple, Brandon Hale and Karly Moulse spend most of their free time enjoying each other's company. Is marriage in their future?

Amazed by Anthony Boone's skill, Regan Puckett, Melissa Begey, Amanda Lawson, Brandi Collins, and Jason Ricketts, watch as he begins making his mark with a pool shark career.



Scott Still and Jessica Chaney are working their way to the top, but to the top of what? Grunge-alternative band members?





Making their *marks* by demonstrating school spirit, Brandy Fannon and Lisa Addington have decided to get some help from their supportive parents.

Could Sidney Flanary make his *mark* as a corporate nerd? Watch for him on the front cover of *Newsweek* or his article in the *Wall Street Journal*.



Unfortunately, not everyone has the luck of Jesse Luther and Brandi Collins who have found one of the best professions, volunteering for sleep research.

Perhaps Bobby Love and his parents have big dreams of an NFL career. Could there be a Heisman trophy in his future?

A Candlelight Christmas

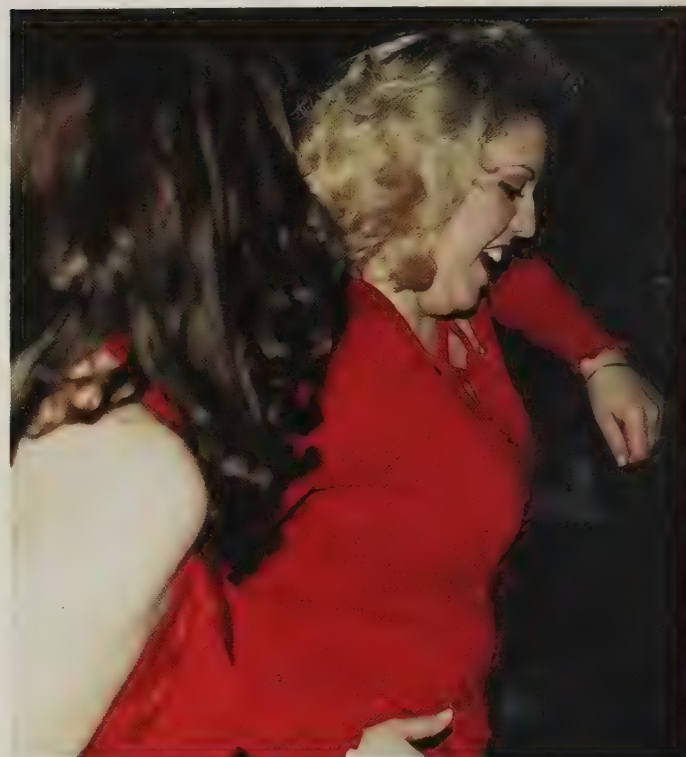
For the Junior and Senior classes of Coeburn High School, the month of December started off with the annual Christmas Dance. The dance was held in the Cultural Arts Building on December 1, 1995, from 8:00 p.m. until 12:00 p.m. The theme was "A Candlelight Christmas." This theme fit very well for candles were placed and lighted throughout the entire building. At 9:00 p.m. the Knight and Maiden were chosen. The Junior and Senior classes

voted for Garry Stanley as Knight and Deidra Osborne as Maiden. The new Knight and Maiden were crowned by the previous year's Knight and Maiden, Cole Adkins and Misti Sayers. During the remainder of the night, the room was filled with joy and laughter, but also with sadness for some because this was to be the last Christmas Dance they would ever be attending at Coeburn High School.

-Jessi Stanley

Dancing till she drops, April M. Mullins is showing everyone that she's not going to let the sadness of this being her last Christmas Dance at Coeburn

High School get to her. She's determined to make her last Christmas Dance at C.H.S. memorable.



"Please don't kiss me; they have a camera on us." That looks like the

expression on Garry Stanley's face as Misti Sayers, former Maiden, prepares to kiss the newly crowned Knight.



Students and their dates enjoy listening to music and showing their fellow classmates new types of dances.

This group shares in the fun and magic of the Christmas Dance.

One of the lucky ones, Margaret Perry is just a junior and still has another Christmas Dance to go. Maybe that's the reason for the big smile.



It looks like Brian McConnell is trying to make sure that Laura Melius's Senior Christmas Dance is a memorable one for her. Who

knows? Laura may attend again next year since Brian is just a sophomore.



Deidra Osborne is all smiles after being crowned Maiden and receiving a beautiful bouquet of roses from John Carico.



Setting the Pace

By coming to school and taking notice of what was around them, it was obvious to students what was "in" during 1996. However, whether a Knight went with the crowd or followed a different drummer for a sense of style was entirely up to the individual.

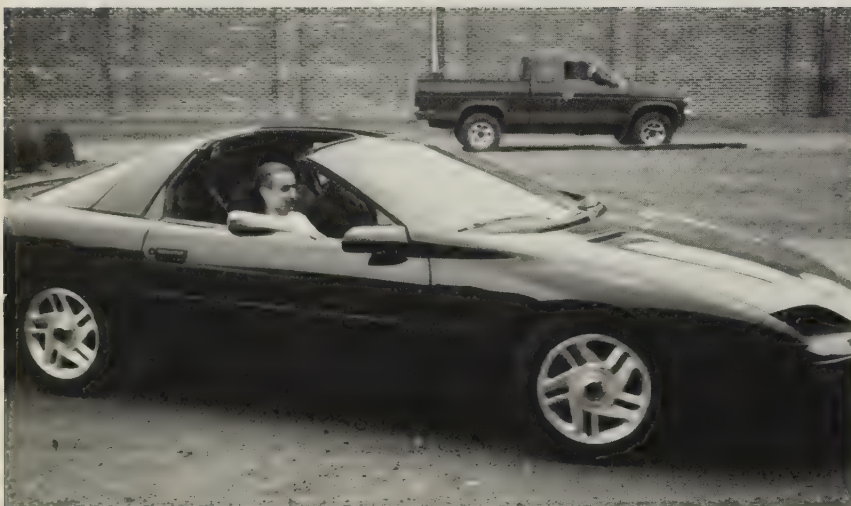
Whatever the catchphrase or fashion, and whether they flowed with the current or created one of their own, students made their *marks* with various personal statements and left memorable impressions.

-Beth French



(ch-ching) It's money in the bank!—it's a sure thing

Back in the day—in the past



What was the hot car for 1996? Any sports car. The envy of all, however, was a flame red Camaro with a T-top roof. Here, Shannon Owens and the car's owner, Jason Bryant, prepare to take the car off School House Hill so passers-by will quit drooling.

Doo-rags kept the heads of both guys and girls stylish off-campus. However, Brandon Blankenbecler finds an added bonus in his well-worn rag: it keeps his shaved head warm!





Several of the most popular fashions worn by Knights in '96 can be seen at left. Jonathan Carico shows off true Coeburn country style: blue jeans, a simple shirt, a belt and cowboy boots. "Alternative" sums up Beth French's attire: a shimmery A-line dress, black hose, black patent Mary Jane shoes by Esprit and lots of silver jewelry. Jon Hall embodies the look of an All-American athlete with Nike shoes and warm-up pants, a Kentucky Wildcats T-shirt and, of course, a Coeburn letterman jacket. Dressed for success, Eric Ratliff accessorizes his Tommy Hilfiger button-up shirt and tie and Guess jeans with a brown belt, Timberland shoes, and a Rolex watch. An all-Guess outfit consisting of blue jeans, a white sweatshirt, and a blue jean button-up shirt makes the perfect outfit for Tiffany Kyle. Z Cavaricci overalls and Esprit hiking boots go perfectly with Jeria Kiser's white henley shirt. Josh Turner's outfit is not only comfortable, but modern as well by being extremely baggy. A blue jean knit skirt and white canvas shoes accent Sasha Turner's long braided hair.

It's all good—everything is all right

My bad—my mistake



Tapes and CD sales were kept hot by students in '96. Fueled by publicity by MTV, VH1, and CMT, recording artists had no problem keeping even the most outlandish tastes entertained. Whether the musical selection was popular rap like Coolio's "Gangstas' Paradise" or down-home country from Garth Brooks, each Knight had his/her own taste and left a mark with money for the newest release. Concerned with which CD would be the best for their money, Garry Stanley and Chad Holbrook consider several selections at Blockbuster Music at Fort Henry Mall in Kingsport.



"One Sweet Day"

Originally scheduled for February 2, the Sweetheart Dance took place on March 14, after being postponed three times due to snow. The night was filled with anticipation as students awaited the crowning of the King and Queen of Hearts.

The court consisted of Kristen McConnell and Brandon Meade(8th); Meghan Hamilton and Kevin Jenkins(9th); Alyson Baker and Brad Ad-

dington(10th); Sarah Sheets and Jackie Hurley(11th); Sarah Robbins and Jerney Wells(12th).

At 9 o'clock Sarah Sheets and Jackie Hurley were announced as the student body's choice of King and Queen. As they held each other close and swayed to "One Sweet Day", all attendants stood admiring the couple for a short time and then joined in.

-Raquel Mullins



Last year's King and Queen of hearts, Garry Stanley and Missy Willis, try and recapture their moment of glory by posing for a pic-

ture as they dance together as royalty for the last time.





Line dancing is a very popular pastime as these freshmen girls, Jeria Kiser, Rebecca Robins, Tracie Burke, and Beth Helbert, demonstrate.

Newly crowned King and Queen of Hearts, Jackie Hurley and Sarah Sheets, relish their moment and hold onto each other hoping this night will last forever.



"Hollywood, here I come!" is what sophomore Crystal Varble's facial expression tells her friend

Shelly Barlow as they express themselves on the dance floor.



Escape To Paradise

Though the weather outside was cold and snowy, members of the French and Spanish clubs were oblivious to the blustery day of March 22, because of the "beachy" surroundings at Mardi Gras. Members dressed in shorts, tee-shirts, and leis as they participated in a volleyball match and all the usual Olympic games.

The cafeteria was decked out in miniature huts, palm trees, and a huge sun flocked by sea gulls. The scenery made up for any conflict with the

real conditions outside, and the clubs were able to enjoy a fun-filled day at the "beach".

-Regan Puckett

MARDI GRAS WINNERS
 Orange Pass- French
 Hula Hoop Pass- French
 Tug of War- French
 Grand Prix Relay- French
 Pogo Bulls Relay- Spanish
 Volleyball Match- French
 Limbo Contest- Misti Sayers
 Costume Contest-Suzy Bevins & Scott Still

Costume winners, Suzy Bevins, as a Hawaiian islander and Scott Still, as the island wizard, pose by



Lowering herself to the extremes, French Club member Misti Sayers shows how limber she can be as

she goes low enough to win the limbo contest.



Getting away from the food and dance floor, Christy Williams and Sharma Smith take a break on the



Trying on a new body complete with Hawaiian print shorts and flowered leis, Jeria Kiser and

Tracey Burke are all smiles about their new look.



Determined to pull Samantha Carico onto the dance floor whether she wants to be there or not, Glenda Shull shows her desperate need for a partner.

Competing in the three-legged race as part of one of the relays, Alyson Baker and Derek Buchanan cannot decide whether to take the race seriously or just laugh it off.

Trying to persuade her date to dance a little more, Sharma Smith tries to pull William Couch back out on the floor.



Showing some moves, Margaret Perry is so proud to display her dancing talent, that she takes to the floor by herself.



Prom



Setting forth into a magical evening, Jackie Hurley and Sarah Sheets prepare to rendezvous with their friends at the prom.

Enjoying the spotlight, Sarah Robbins and Jason Bryant are chosen queen and king of the prom.



Eager to dance the night away, Kristie Hall, Melissa Rose, Stacie Howard, Jessica Odle, Michelle Rose, Todd Funk, Ben Stanley, Brian Porter, Jamie Ratliff, and Perry Owens show their excitement on their smiling faces.

Facing the horror of losing her date, Tiffany Hutchinson hopes she will find him by the punch bowl.

A Breath-taking Night

The prom was for many a long-awaited event. It was the first time that all of the juniors were finally eligible to attend, and the last time for the seniors to be together before graduation. The breath-taking evening was held on May 4 and began at 8:00 P.M. at the Cultural

Arts Building, which was decorated in blue and silver. The theme was "Take My Breath Away."

Newly crowned king and queen of the evening were Jason Bryant and Sarah Robbins. The crowning occurred after the Grand March at 11:30.

-Sharma Smith



Valedictorian: Laura Melius
Salutatorian: Allison Davis
Drama: Amanda Lawson, Beth French
SCA President: Brandi Collins
Pace Art: Beth French
CVC Scholarships: Candy Bates, Regan Puckett, Amanda Lawson, Travis Hall
MECC Scholarships: Tishia Boggs, Jennifer Funk, Sarah Robbins, Amanda Lawson
Emory and Henry College: Thomas Lester
Alice Lloyd College: Laura Melius
Premier Bank Award: Gary Lewis
Knightette Scholarship: Sarah Robbins
Leadership Award: Sarah Robbins
Service Award: Laura Melius
Kiwanis Club Award: Laura Melius, Allison Davis
Lions Club Award: Sarah Robbins
Kline Stallard Service: Laura Melius
DAR Citizen Award: Sarah Robbins
Women's Scholarship: Sarah Robbins
Sleep Award: Tishia Boggs, Allison Davis, Laura Melius
Alpha Psi DKG: Jennifer Funk
VHSL Writing: Beth French, Allison Davis, Alicia Lester, Missy Willis, Stephanie Lane, Courtney Gibson
Library Award: Sara Peters
English Awards: Stephanie Lane, Travis Hall, Laura Melius, Missy Willis, Courtney Gibson, Tiffany Stallard, Alyson Baker, Lisa Addington, Nick Jackson, Allison Perry, Jennifer Redden, Sara Peters
Spanish I: Alyson Baker
Spanish II: Jessica Stallard
Spanish III: Laura Melius
French I: Loretha Ward, Scott Still, Gabrielle Stinson
French II: Courtney Gibson, Suzy Bevins
French III: Allison Davis
Consumer Math: Nathan Stanley
Pre-Algebra: Brock Adams
Basic Algebra: Sam Gibson
Algebra I: Ashley Mathieson, Brandon Hale, Matthew Kiser
Algebra II: Nick Jackson, Allison Perry, Brad Ketron
Geometry: Phillip Stallard, Tamara Clark
Math Analysis: Suzy Bevins, Courtney Gibson

American Math Awards: Gary Meade, Jennifer Redden, Ashley Mathieson, Sara Peters, Amanda Gouge
Journalism: Beth French, Regan Puckett, Jessi Stanley, Sharma Smith, Rebecca Owens, Deidra Osborne, Raquel Mullins
Physical Education: Jessica Jonsrud, Jason Stanley, Summer Meade, Kevin Jenkins, Sara Peters
Science 8: Matthew Kiser
Science 9: Allison Perry, Lucas Hurley
Biology: Tamara Clark
Chemistry: Courtney Gibson
Physics: Tiffany Stallard
Civics: Jeff Johnson, Kristen McConnell
World Geography: Nick Jackson
Sociology: Candy Bates
Economics: Thomas Lester
U.S. History: Lakisha Dykes
World History: Brad Ketron
DAR History Award: Courtney Gibson
Government 12: Laura Melius
Food Management: Shaun Renfro, Matthew Sargent
Child Care: Melissa Begey
Family Management: April M. Mullins
Life Management: Scott Still
Teen Living: Ashley Horton
Notetaking: Stephanie Lane
Keyboarding: Jeremy Buchanan, Amanda Laney, Allison Perry
Word Processing: Jessica Stallard
Office Systems: Mandy Greear, Heather Horne, Tamara Clark
Office Adm: Cathy Stanley
Beginning Acct: Laura Melius
Adv. Acct: Daniel Maine, Tishia Boggs
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John Philip Sousa: Crystal Clark
Band Service: Wesley Couch, Ashley Mathieson

Awards' Day Brings Recognition

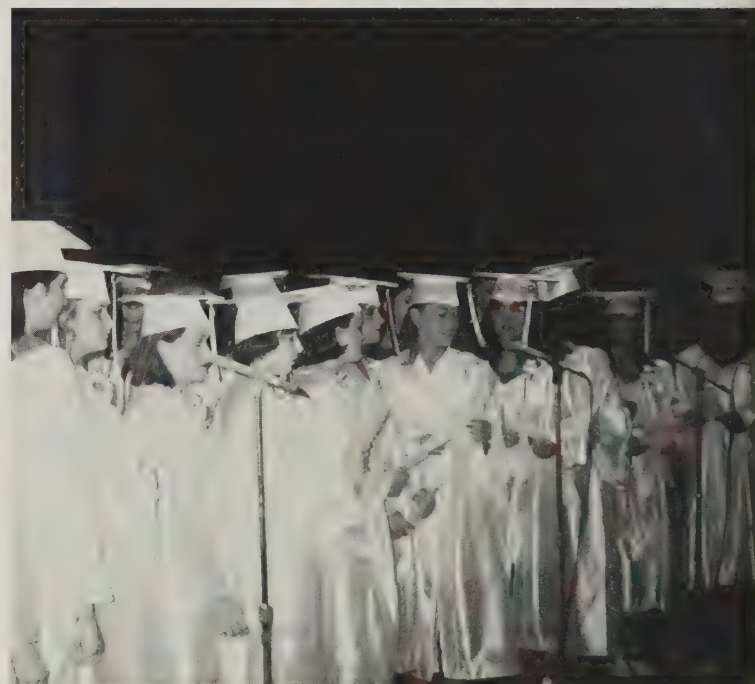
The annual Awards' Day ceremony was held on May 31. The senior choir performed three songs: "Count On Me," "One Sweet Day," and "Stand By Me."

"One Sweet Day" was performed in memory of Coach Hubbard's mother, Mrs. Buchanan's mother and father, Katie Dameron's infant brother, and Coach Richard's father and father-in-law, who all

passed away within the last year.

Among the most exceptional awards presented at the Awards' Day ceremony were for the top two academic awards. Laura Melius was presented with the Valedictorian award and Allison Davis was given the Salutatorian award.

Rebecca Owens



At the awards' ceremony, the choir began the program as they performed three songs.

Before the ceremony, Jessee Luther tries to figure out which way his tassel goes.



Standing in hall before their last assembly program, George Johnson, Matthew Sargent, and Brandon French are telling a few jokes so they won't be so nervous.

Before the senior tea, Jennifer Jonsrud, Randi Horne, and Barbara Ellis are chatting about who is going where on graduation night.



Always helpful, Mrs. Ramey assists Laura Keith with her cap, while Laura's twin sister, April Keith, smiles about something that has captured her attention.

The senior class's Valedictorian, Laura Melius, received many awards, including a full scholarship to Alice Lloyd College.

Enjoying one of the last moments she will ever have at C.H.S., Jennifer Jonsrud converses with a few of her friends about future plans and past memories.

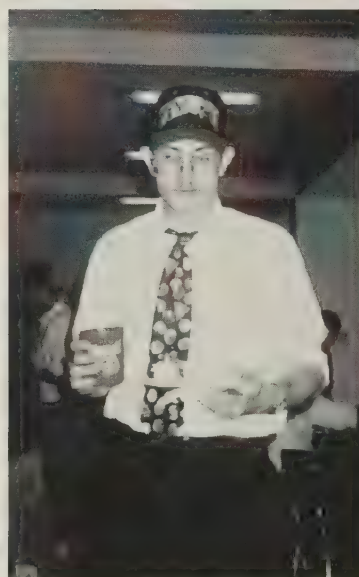


Viewing the seniors' first grade pictures in the newspaper, Tonya Addington, Stephanie Lane, Tina Greear, and Bernetta Mullins marvel at how much people change.



After their exhilarating ride down one of the many water slides at Carowinds, Regan Puckett, Jason Sartin, and Keith Whited squint to

keep the sun out of their eyes as they prepare themselves for another breathtaking turn in the water.



Not taking the Senior Tea lightly, G.T. Lawson makes his way towards his friends at a nearby table to laugh, talk, and enjoy each other's company.



Seniors' Last Moments Together



Enjoying the last few days of high school life, some members of the senior class traveled to Carowinds in Charlotte, N.C., for a fun-filled adventure together. In addition to thrilling and challenging rides, seniors mingled with one another realizing that a trip together as a group would never happen again.

The Senior Tea provided one last class endeavor before graduation night. After receiving a free copy of the *Senior Charger* (compliments of the jour-

nalism staff), the Class of '96 enjoyed devouring pizza and a beautifully decorated cake made in their honor. Katie Dameron won \$10.00 from the journalism staff by identifying every senior whose first grade picture was published in the paper.

The highlight of the tea was a special visual presentation of the history of the class prepared by Brandi Collins.



Far Left: During the senior tea, Crystal Clark ponders what she will write in Felicia Smith's memory book, while Felicia chokes on her food at the sentimental moment.



Left: The expression on Brandon French's face shows how much he is enjoying the company of fellow senior Shaun Renfro, as they make plans for their future.

Above: Flying through the air on the Sky Coaster at Carowinds during their senior trip, Brandon Blankenbecker, Shannon Owens, and Jason Bryant enjoy themselves one last time.

Graduation 1996

On June 8th, at 8: 00 p.m., a chapter was finalized in each senior's book of life, a chapter full of special moments and precious memories.

The ceremony contained touching, beautiful songs, and flowing tears. As each senior received his or her diploma, the realization that the high school years were forever in the past hit them hard. For some it was pure bliss to get out of high school after 13 years, but for oth-

ers it ripped out their hearts to acknowledge the fact that as they chase their dreams, they may never see some of their classmates again.

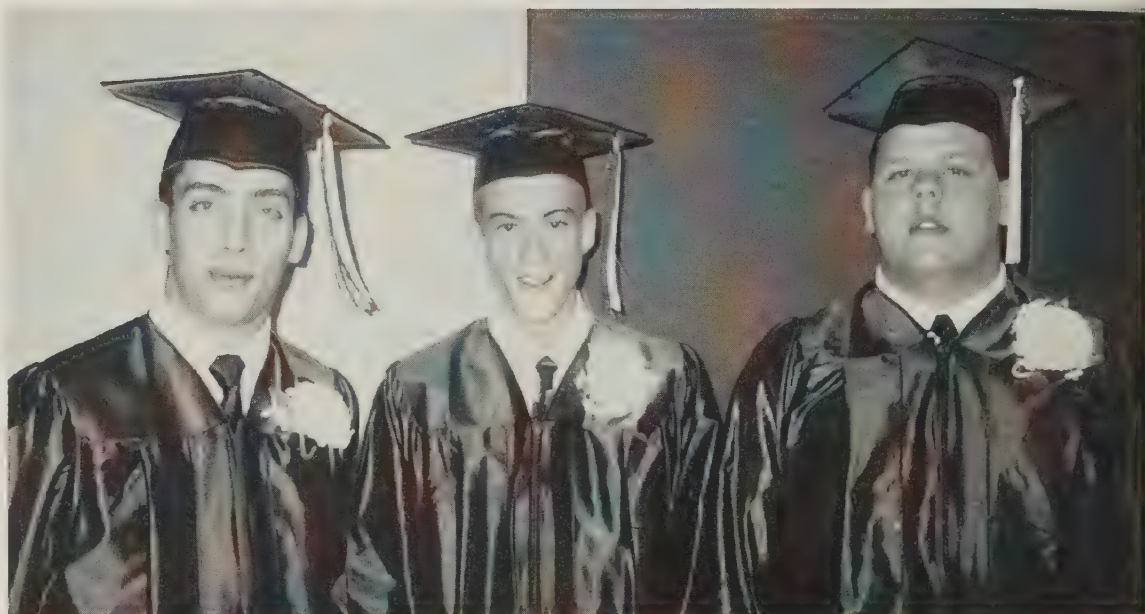
The road God chose for each individual was yet to be seen, but even though they may never cross paths again, each senior will forever hold close the sacred times they spent growing up at Coeburn High School.

Regan Puckett



Above right: The duties of a Senior Sponsor never end for Mrs. Jessee, who aides Melissa Farmer Dingus in pinning her corsage.

Usually seen in casual attire, Daniel Hale, J.B. Miller, and George Johnson remain calm even though they are desperate to remove their ties.



Master of hairstyles, Christy Lawson takes a moment to assist Amanda Bartley in fixing her hat and hair before the ceremony begins.

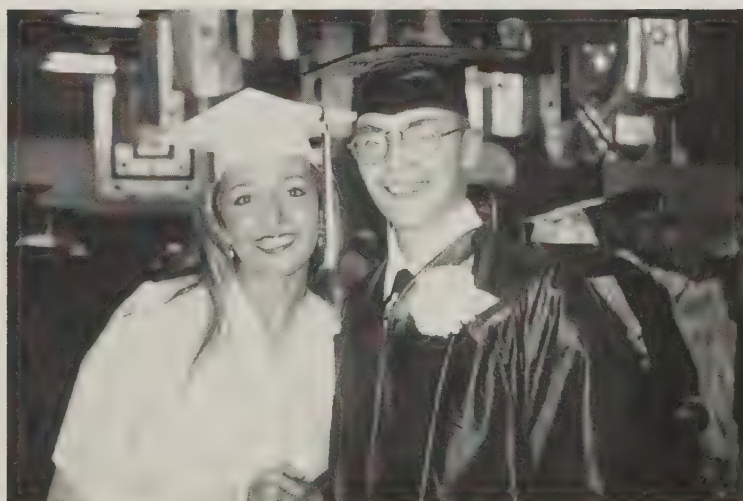
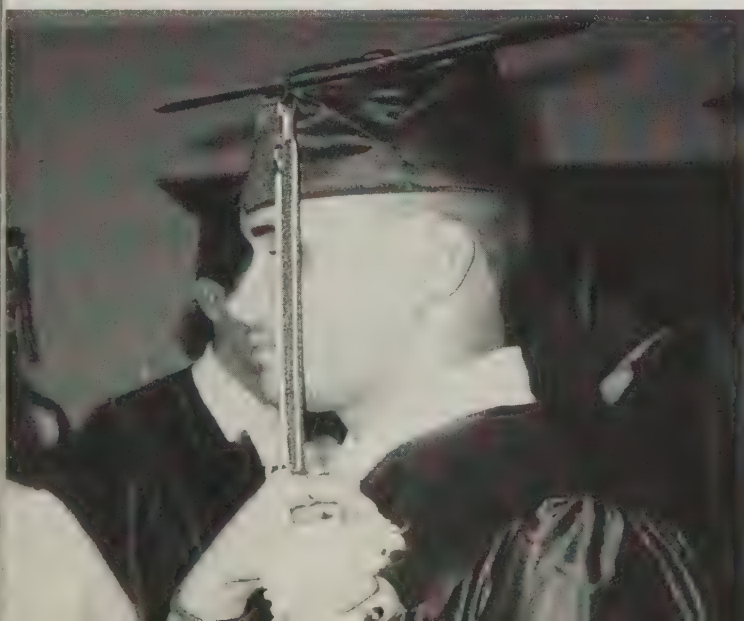
Knowing fate could lead them in different directions, Wesley Meade and Jason Baker discuss how they will keep in touch.



Graduation brings joy for some and for others sorrow. But for Stephanie Lane it brought lots of laughter and a wish to be released from the bear hug from a fellow graduate.

Bottom left: Not wanting to show his emotion, Bobby Love makes sure his tassel is in place to hide tears that are ready to erupt.

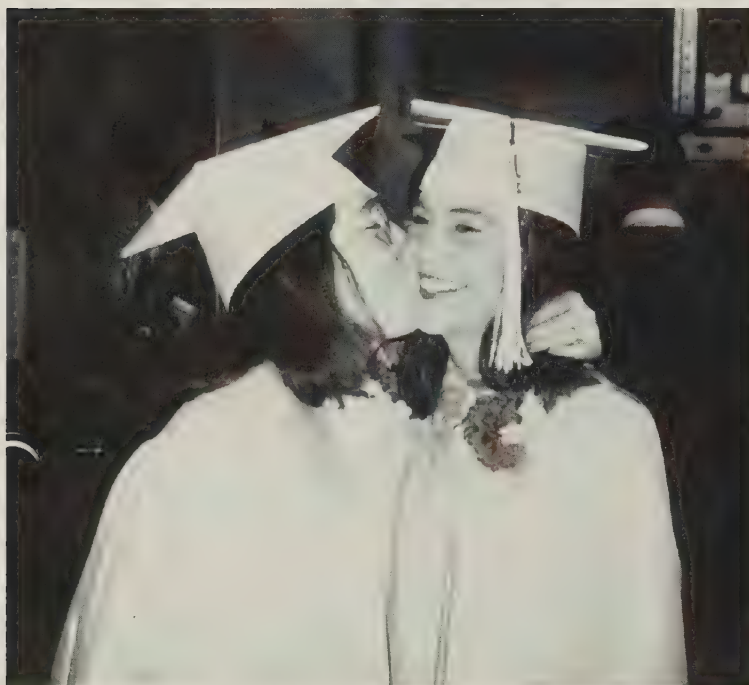
Bottom right: Knowing there will be no more Physics class antics between them, Beth French and Chad Sharpe take one last opportunity to smile as they remember their fun in 5th period.



Seniors Bid Farewell

Below: Love and closeness characterize the Class of 1996, traits which are demonstrated by Katie Damron as she gives her best friend, Sarah Robbins, a warm kiss.

Right: Unable to pin his flower himself, Keith Whited is rescued by Senior Sponsor, Mrs. Ramey, just before pinning his finger to his gown.



Standing alone, Amanda Bartley waits to take her final walk as a student at Coeburn High School.

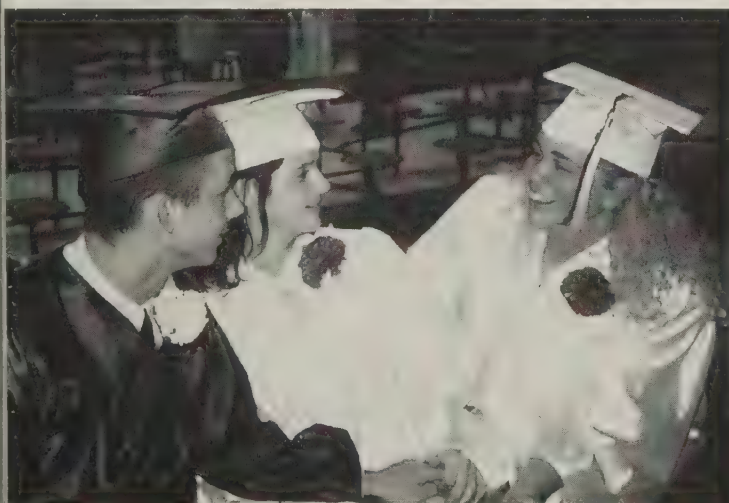




Do not let the expression on Clint Hawkins's face fool you. He is actually thrilled he will soon walk across the stage and receive his diploma.



While following Laura Melius and Amanda Davis in the procession, Jonathan Carico holds his head tightly, anticipating the head ache he will have tomorrow morning after an all-night celebration.



Discussing which graduation party they will attend after the ceremony, Ryan Woody, Brandy Fannon, and Shannon Still all agree they should take full advantage of one privilege: NO CURFEW!

Normally, seniors Joey Blanton and Tishia Boggs would attempt to march to the beat of a different drummer, but tonight they fall in line with their classmates as "Pomp and Circumstances" is played.





"Seniors rule! Deal with it!"
Displaying upperclassmen superiority, J.R. Kilgore, Joseph Porter, and Sidney Flanary encourage not only the football team, but the graduating class of '96. Their signs and face paint worked so well, the seniors won the spirit stick.

Each knight makes a mark

People

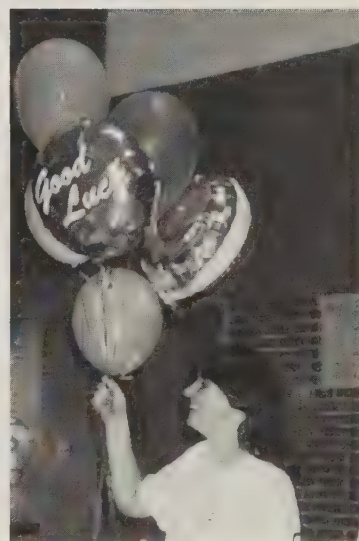
Knights came to school, went to class, and ended the day with either a venture home or an after-school practice. But did the 688 students stop and realize who those faces were that sat across from them on the bus or during algebra class, and did they think just how different their day would have been if those people had not been there?

Each face in the school has its own identity. One face might be the determined athlete, who is not currently paying attention to the task at hand because he is deeply concentrating on the night's game. The more concentrated profile could belong to an ambitious student who dreams of acceptance to a major university and therefore puts his efforts into six demanding classes a day. Another student could be concerned not so much with, "If $2AB = 2CD$, then $AB = CD$," but more with a human anatomy test in nursing class. Any of these things might not bother some other students; they have no worries and simply smile, stay quiet, and keep to themselves.

If any of these individuals were extracted from a typical day-to-day routine, it could affect any number of people in the process. We would miss the boy in the front of the lunch line who sits by himself, the top rebounder for girls' basketball team, or the shy smiling student we count on to brighten our day.

Therefore, we must remember that each Knight adds to the essence of the school and without all 688, each student's mark might be made differently.

-Beth French



Starting the season on the right foot, Candy Bates receives "good luck" balloons before a basketball game.



CLASS OF 1996 SENIORS

To the End of the Road

There have been highs and lows on the seniors' 13 year-long road. But even with obstacles and adversity facing them, seniors held onto each other through thick and thicker and shared common ground during high school.

As eighth graders, seniors only had each other for support and remained close friends. This closeness enabled them to triumph over the Class of 1992 in the spirit link contest. Coach Salyers proved to be more bark than bite during their freshmen gym classes. The seniors studied that bellowing voice and copied it to win almost every spirit stick for the Freshman class.

By their sophomore year, seniors had earned a rebellious reputation which overlapped into the drivers' ed car as they kept the roads in

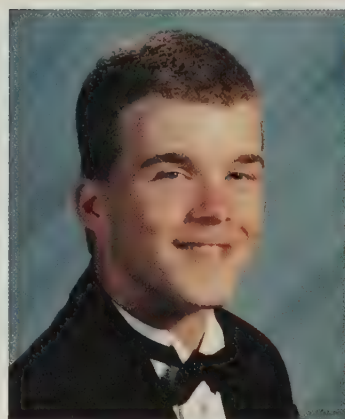
chaos.

Class rings and events such as the Christmas Dance and Prom helped subdue the Class of 1996 during their junior year as cliques broke apart and personal identities were found.

However, during their final year, seniors decided they needed some special moments to relish and kept each other drenched from water gun fights.

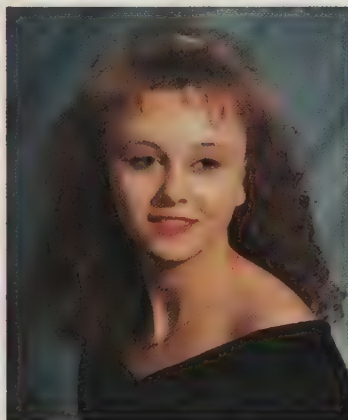
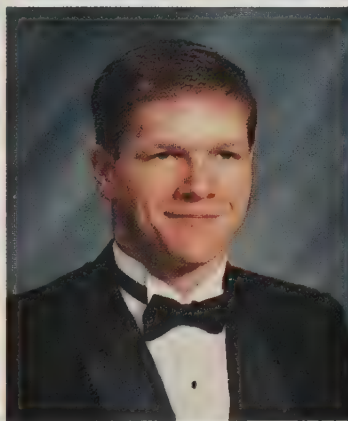
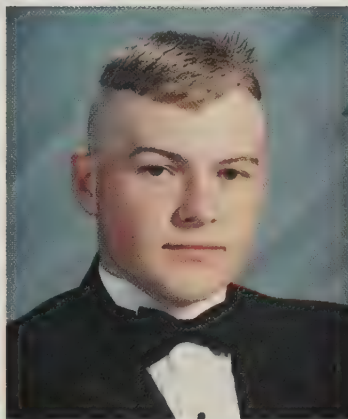
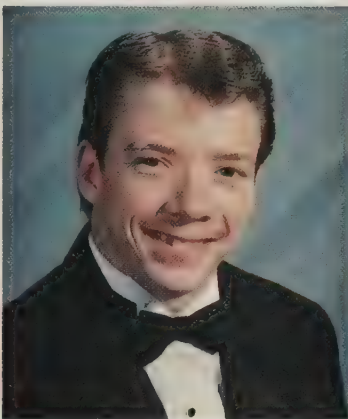
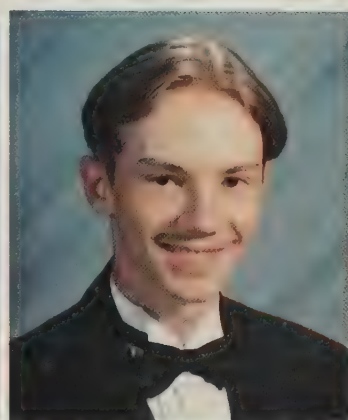
In all they have been through, from their first day as trembling eighth graders to their final walk on graduation night, seniors made memories never to be forgotten. Even though the class of 1996 can never travel along the road of high school again, they can always look back and smile.

Beth French



Sam Adams
Crystal Addington
Tonya Addington
Ben Adkins

Cole Adkins
Chastidy Baber
Jeff Baker
Frankie Barlow



Kimberly Taylor
 Candy Baker
 Melissa Davis
 Amanda Blankenship

Michael Blankenship
 Joseph Blank
 Tami Boggs
 Jeremy Davis

Bryan Blank
 Matthew Smith
 Jonathan Smith
 Melissa Smith

James Smith
 Sarah Smith
 Kayla Smith
 Travis Smith

Hall of Fame

On these pages are seniors who have made such a distinct impression on their classmates, they were selected for the honor of Senior Superlative.

Some of these characteristics have even remained outstanding traits of several seniors over the

years. When seventh grade Superlatives were voted for in 1991, Laura Melius and Thomas Lester were voted Most Studious; Brandi Collins and Jason Sartin were Most Athletic; and Crystal Clark was voted Friendliest.

Because of their achievements, talents,

and personalities, these seniors have been placed by the Class of '96 into their own personal "Hall of Fame" and have made a mark on the hearts and minds of their classmates that will last for years to come.

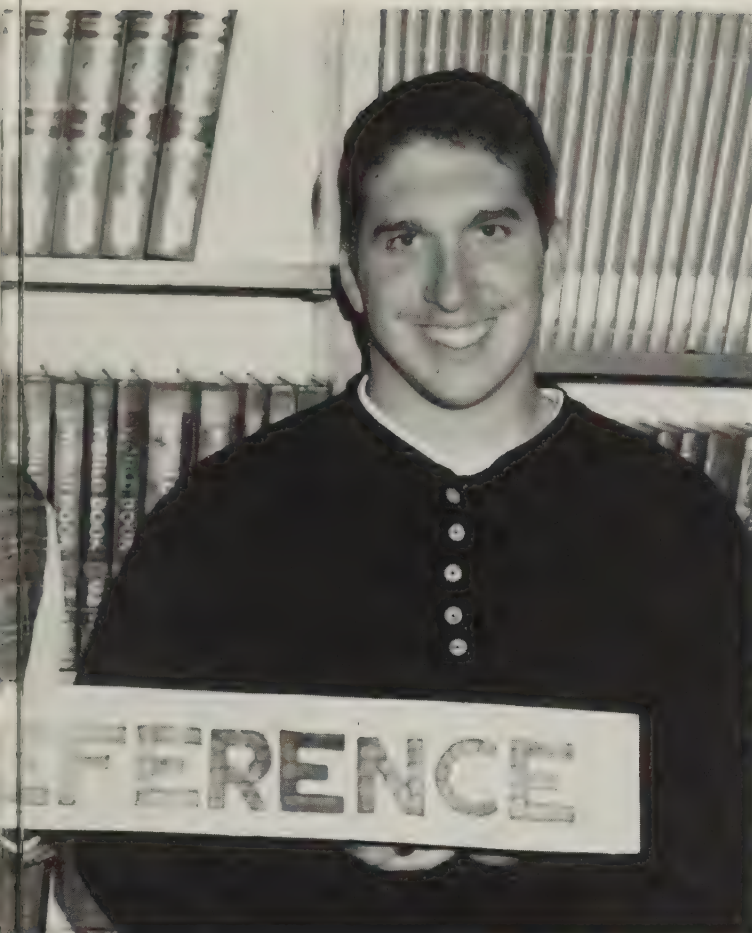
- Beth French



A smile and kind, encouraging words can always be counted on from the Friendliest seniors, Allan Lawson and Crystal Clark. Even when Crystal cannot push herself on the primary school's swing set, Allan kindly rushes to her aid.

Bloomington's, Macy's, Sac's Fifth Avenue. All of these are stores commonly visited by Best Dressed seniors, Crystal Addington and Shannon Owens. However, being immaculately dressed everyday has led to a slight problem: OVERCHARGED CREDIT CARDS!





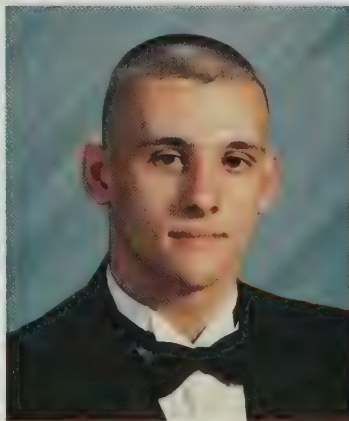
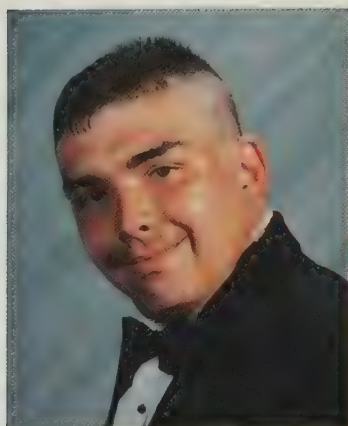
Do you need information on anything from aardvarks to zucchini? Ask the human reference section in the library: Most Studious seniors Laura Melius and Thomas Lester.

Obviously, Brandon Blankenbeckers' baldness has not scared away Candy Bates, who leans on him for support. After all, what are the Most Dependable seniors for?



Various abilities are displayed by the Most Talented seniors: Beth French, Brandi Collins, Pete Lawson, and Marci Roberts. Brandi and Pete benefit the school's sports program with their athletic abilities; Marci is a gymnast; and Beth is a well-rounded dancer, artist, and musician.



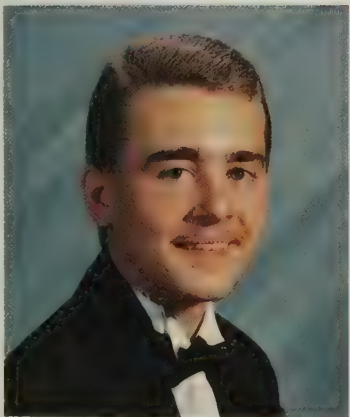
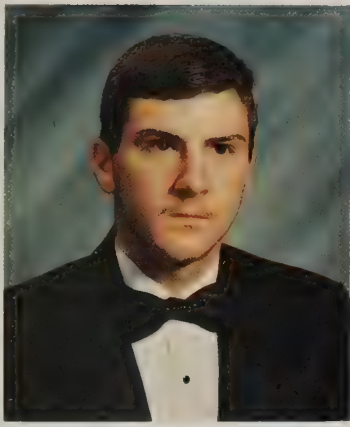


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 Felicia Counts
 Rachel Courtney
 Kelli Denton

Allison Davis
 Monica Lingus
 Brittany Palmer
 Sydney Pomeroy

Beth French
 Brandon French
 Joshie French
 Jonathan Funk

Crystal Gibson
 Brian Hodge
 Tim O'Neal
 Eric Ross



Brandon Hale
Daniel Hale
Ginger Hall
Travis Hall



Ranked in the top of their class and planning to achieve much more after graduation, it is no wonder that Allison Davis, Laura Melius, and Travis Hall were voted "Most Likely to Succeed."

Giving Credit

What one person do you credit for helping you achieve this Superlative category?

"I guess that would be my dad because I see him always trying to help people. He often goes out of his way to help others. So I guess that's where I get it."

-Candy Bates

"My mom has always encouraged me over the years to develop an artistic-creative side and has stood beside me in everything I attempt."

-Beth French

"Myself, because nobody would ever tell me that I dressed really badly and was too shy; I had to find out on my own."

-Regan Puckett

"My brother because he is shy too and he seems to get along pretty good."

-Brian Smith

Senior Signals

You know you are a Senior when . . .

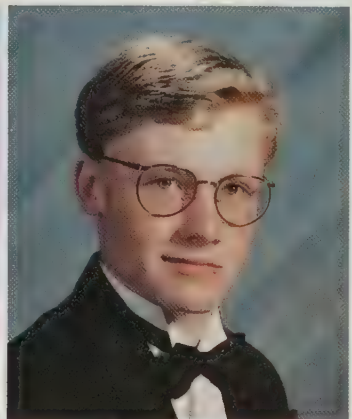
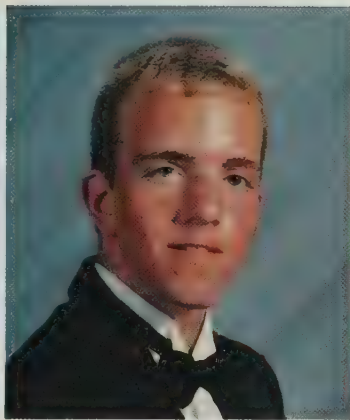
- you need money and your parents will not give you anymore.
- you do not care what other people think of you.
- all you ever think about is graduation.
- there are no upperclassmen to look up to; you are being looked up to yourself.
- you get "spring fever" before Christmas.
- the real world does not seem so far away.
- days go by like hours used to.
- you actually start worrying about passing tests and classes.
- everybody asks where you are going to school next year.
- you come home with piles of papers for college applications.
- as events and activities pass by, you think, "This is my last time to be doing this."
- you think about being a freshmen all over again in college.

-Regan Puckett

Scoring 1000 points and breaking touchdown records: these are the achievements that led Brandi Collins and Jason Sartin to being voted "Most Athletic."



Kevin Hamilton
Renee Harvey
Clinton Hawkins
Hjordis Menning



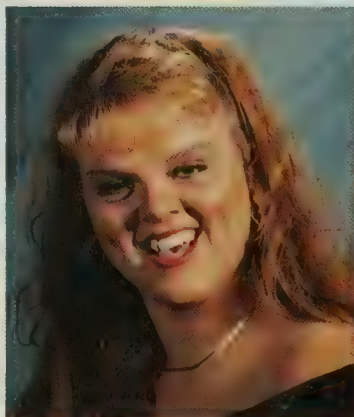
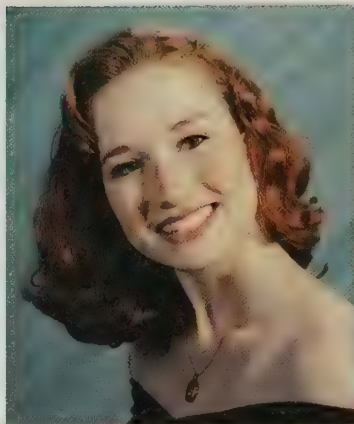
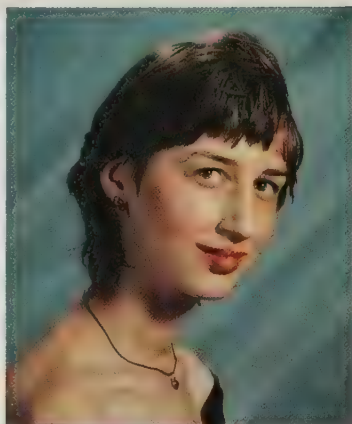
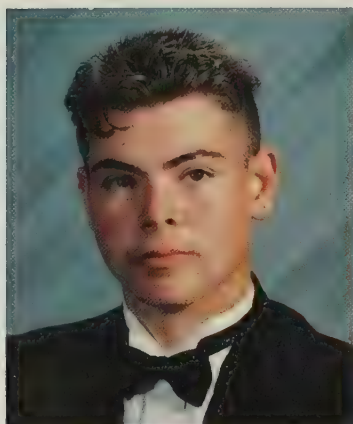
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 Emily Lawson

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 George Lawson
 Peter Lawson
 Thomas Moore

Bailey Ann
 William Winkler
 Amanda Houser
 Daniel Palm





Jeremiah Marshall
 Joshua Marshall
 Robin Marshall
 Laura Mellus

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 April G. Mullins
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Beronita Mullins
 Carol Mullins
 Tim Gize
 Malinda Osborn

Debbie Overbay
 Eric Overbay
 Shannon Cavelle
 Johnny Flege

Seniors Look Ahead



As seniors leave high school to face the world, many have goals they hope to accomplish. Seniors told what they expected to be doing in ten years.

"I'll wish I was still in school, so I didn't have to work and pay bills."

-William Lunsford
"I'll be a professional college student until they beg me to leave."

Joseph Porter

"I'll be like Al Bundy; at a dead-end job, watching Scooby Doo reruns, and married with children."

John Carico

"I'll be married to Erik, letting my mom take care of our two kids, and teaching history at Coeburn High."

-Regan Puckett

"I'll be married to Mack, chasing at least two kids around, and working as a teacher."

Jessi Stanley



Doug Pettit
Regan Puckett
Shaun Renfro
Misty Ringley



Being voted the seniors with the "Biggest Change since Eighth Grade", Regan Puckett and Jeremy Wells can only imagine how different they will be in ten years.



As Misti Sayers and Jason Bryant capture the title of "Cutest Couple", they expect to be happily married before the next ten years go by.



Hall of Fame

The Class of 1996 had outstanding people that over the years epitomized various abilities, personalities, and interests. These outstanding characteristics earned them the titles of Senior Superlatives in different

categories.

These seniors have been inducted into a special "Hall of Fame" by their classmates who will look back and remember them fondly for having made their marks.

-Beth French



Shyest seniors Brian Smith, April Keith and Laura Keith have marked their high school years with an abundance of one thing: silence!

Top: A jungle gym poses no limits for the Wittiest seniors, Katie Dameron and Jeremy Wells.

Right: It is obvious that no matter what they are wearing, Jason Sartin and Amanda Lawson are still the seniors with the Best Figure & Physique.



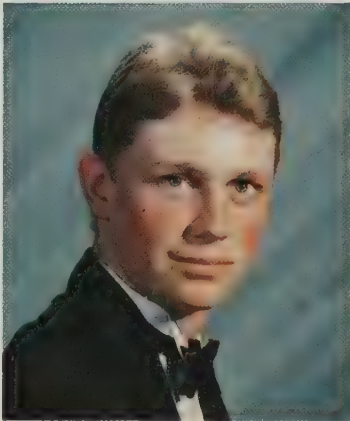


Showing their typical behavior is the Class of 1996. They are so wild that when Superlatives were voted on in the fall, the seniors knew it was not just a *select* few class members that were Most Mischievous; it was **everyone!**



How have Sarah Robbins and Jason Bryant made their mark on the Class of 1996? By simply having their faces seen as the Most Attractive seniors.





Sarah Robbins
Marcel Robbins
Charles Kohn
David Salyers

Matthew Sargent
Jason Darrin
Matt Davyrs
Greg Sexton

Chad Sharpe
Sam Sharpe
Brian Smith
Josh Stanley

Amanda Stanley
Shannon Dill
Susan Hays
Cindy Turner



Jeremy Wells
Keith Whited
Ryan Woody
Roy Wright



A football player and a cheerleader exemplify true school spirit; that is a good reason Brandy Fannon and John Carico were voted the Most School Spirited.

Looking Back at the Years

"The funniest thing I remember is seeing Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Peters going into Victoria's Secret on a field trip."

-Tishia Boggs

"In kindergarten, Brandi Collins, Allison Davis, and I used to go after the same guy . . . Joseph Porter."

-Brandy Fannon

"In the 7th grade Tishia Boggs accidentally punched Travis Hall during a spelling bee and busted his nose."

-Tina Greear

"When Beth French and Michael Blankenbecler got into a fight."

-Misti Sayers

"In the seventh grade, I remember that the whole grade got into a food fight and got our Field Day taken away. The best part was that Keith Whited had to scrub the entire cafeteria floor with a toothbrush because he started the mess."

-Brandi Collins

Taking time out to read to young children shows special qualities. Maybe that's the reason Brandon Blankenbecler and Sarah Robbins were chosen for Best Personality.



Dressed for success, Matthew Sargent is anxiously waiting to be married. No, it is not a *real* wedding; it's the annual mock wedding in Family Management class.



Chosen to lead their class, the Senior officers are Crystal Clark, Secretary; John Carico, President; and Allison Davis, Vice-President.



Making Memories



As the 1996 school year came to an end, the seniors made some marks that will last a lifetime. At one time or another, every senior did something that was impressionable or memorable, even though it was never captured in a picture.

For example, Gary Lewis unselfishly lent his time and effort to any senior in need. Monica Dingus left her mark by jumping ahead in her studies to

graduate a year earlier. Also Thomas Lester dedicated his time to the community which enabled him to receive an Eagle Scout Award. These were just a few of the impressions and memories made by seniors that were never captured by a picture.

However, at left is a picture of the class posed for the first time in their new t-shirts and sweatshirts, creating just one more memory.



Just an all-around nice guy, Doug Pettit gives Katie Dameron a helping hand, something you wouldn't see just any senior doing.



What is Cole Adkins trying to prove? Everyone knows he is small and can go places no one else would ever attempt, but one day he just might get stuck.

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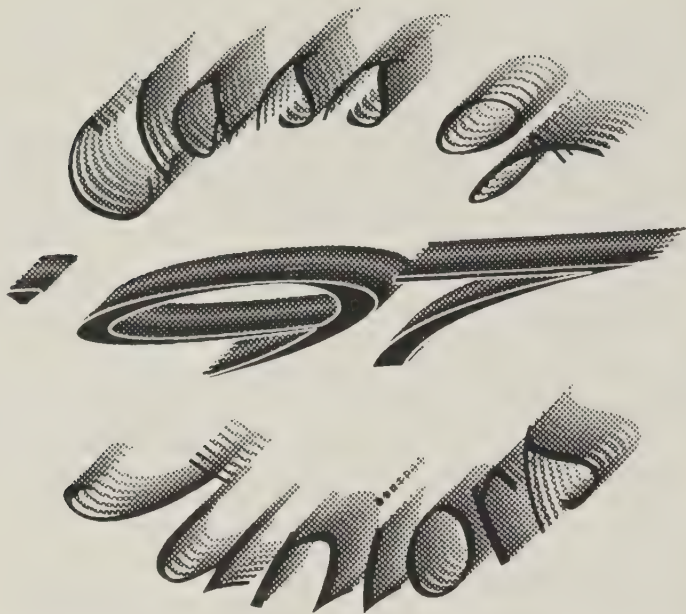
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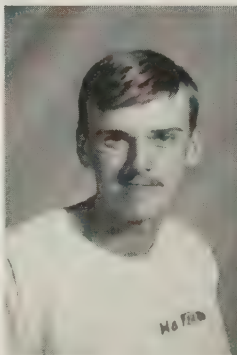
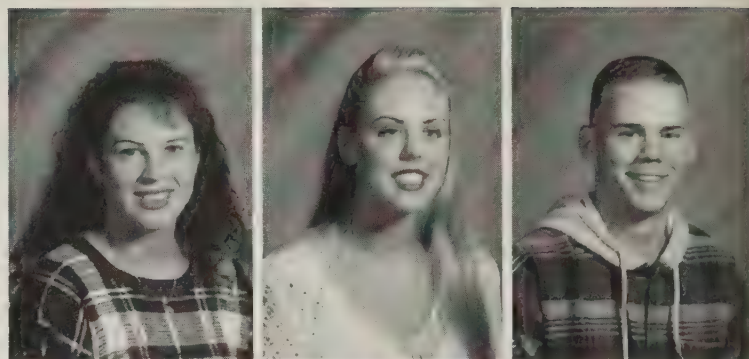
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TEN GREAT THINGS ABOUT BEING A JUNIOR

1. Having no gym class
2. Getting a driver's license
3. Going to the Prom and Christmas Dance
4. Receiving your class ring
5. Getting a car
6. Earning respect from others
7. Taking AP classes and Journalism
8. Earning extra money from a job
9. Making plans for your future
10. Becoming a senior in just one more year



Jennifer Amburgey

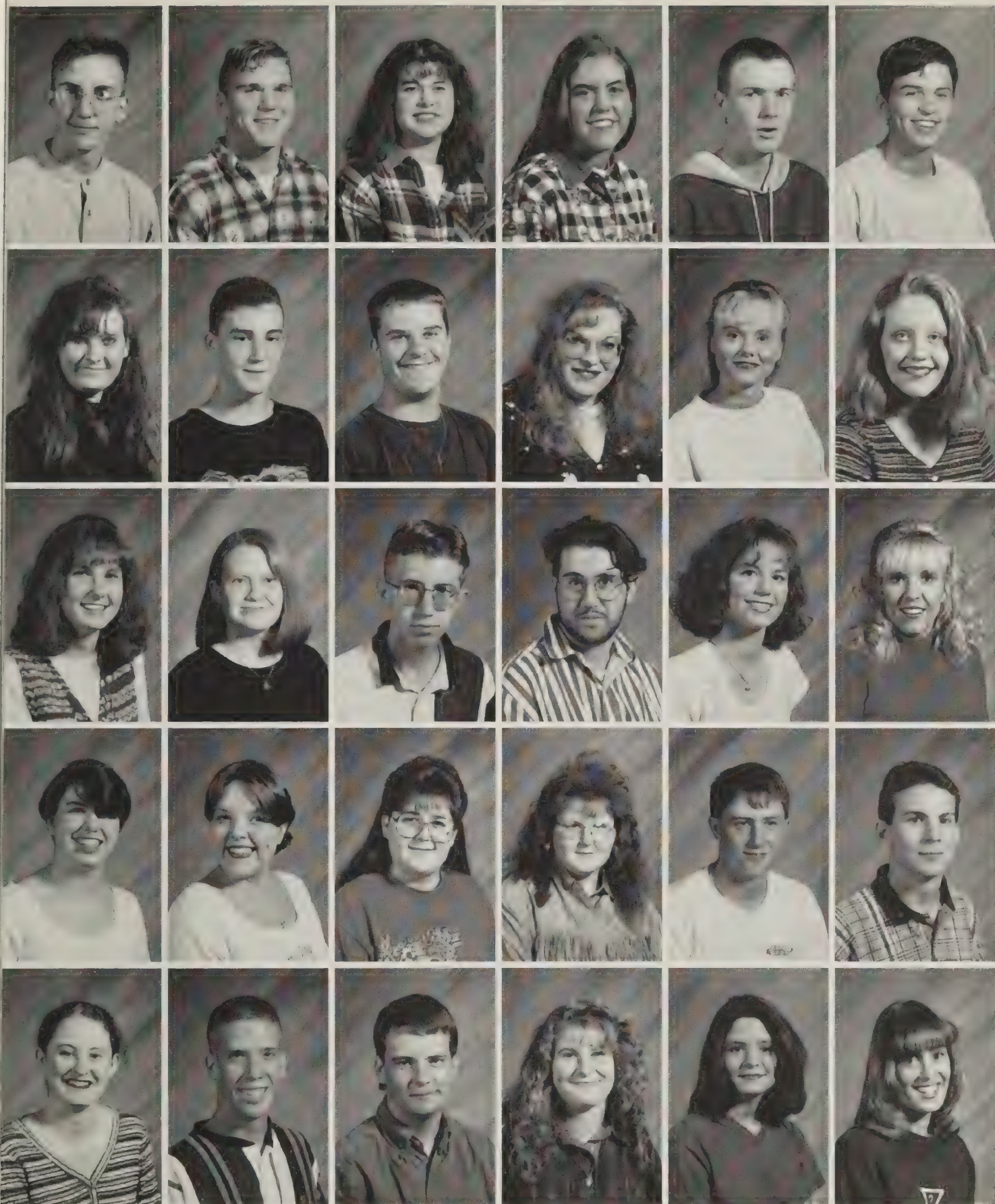
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Mindy Fields



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 Adam Newsome
 Crystal Odle





Jason Odle
Jessica Odle
Deidra Osborne
Misty Owens
Perry Owens

Rebecca Owens
Mark Pannell
Michael Pannell
Margaret Perry
Tracy Potter

Spirit Energizes Juniors

Juniors were sometimes considered the class with no school spirit by other people in the school. At one pep rally they did not participate in anything. One week later they entered the gym carrying their drums and cowbells and were determined to win the spirit stick. With encouragement from Mrs. Jesse and Miss Ward, the

juniors wanted to prove that they could be the most school-spirited. They succeeded on November 3, by beating the sophomore class. They also had the most school spirit during Homecoming week with the most participants on dress-up days.

Deidra Osborne

After making a bet with a fellow classmate and losing, Raquel Mullins ended up kissing someone's foot. The reason for her loss was the juniors winning the spirit stick on November 3 for the first time ever.

Showing their school spirit by dressing up as old ladies proved to be no problem for Courtney Gibson, Deidra Osborne, and Raquel Mullins. These juniors dressed up for Knightette Initiation Day.





Melissa Pridemore
Amanda Rasnake
Eric Ratliff
Leslie Richardson
Jason Ricketts

Robert Robbins
Kelly Robinson
Jason Roop
Melissa Rose
Michelle Rose

Ricky Sartin
Amanda Sayers
Natasha Sexton
Sarah Sheets
Michael Shelton

What's In / What's Out

Clothes

Flannel
Levi's

Bell Bottoms
Spandex

Food

Tacos
Steak

School Lunch
Pizza

Hairstyles

Straight
Bald

Curly
Spiked

Places to Be Seen

Wal-Mart
Ballgames

St. Paul
Powell Valley



Announcing at a pep rally is a privilege for some juniors. Here Amanda Sayers announces the forthcoming activities

while Brandi Stone's attention is drawn to something else.





Glenda Shull
Jason Sizemore
Crystal Skeens
Billy Sluss
Shannen Smith

Sharma Smith
Jessica Stallard
Tiffany Stallard
Cathy Stanley
Garry Stanley

Class Rings Provide Mixed Reactions

"It was too big."
Beau Boggs

"I went through a lot
to get it because I
wrecked my car that
day."
Rebecca Owens

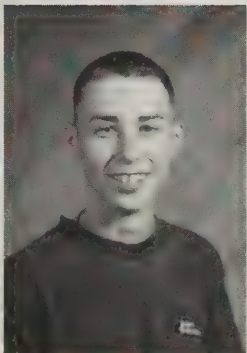
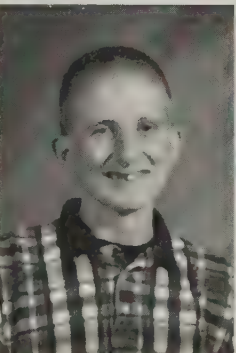
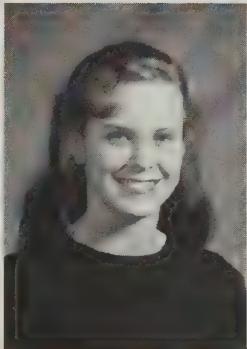
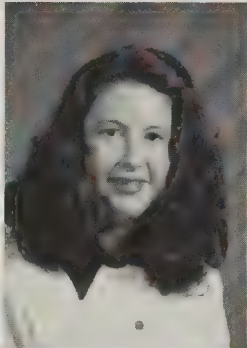
"Well, I didn't really
care because I gave it
to my boyfriend any-
way."
Danielle Kern

These juniors, Mindy Fields
and Danielle Kern, were all
smiles after they received
their class rings.



While it appears that Beau Boggs,
Deidra Osborne, Jamie Bell, and Kelly
Robinson are pledging allegiance,

they are actually showing off the class
rings they have just received.



Don't Blame Me; It's Not My Fault

No matter how hard we all try, sometime in our high school careers, we need excuses! We have all heard the classic excuses like, "My locker was jammed," or "My clock alarm did not go off and I overslept." Whether it is because you were late for Mrs. Jesse's French class, you can't explain why you were absent the day before, or why you do not have your homework, we have all made excuses. Here are some excuses a few "clever" juniors have given:

"I did not hear you assign it."

Anonymous

"Hardee's ran out of biscuits."

Jason Riggs

"I was late because my dog ran away."

Melissa Rose

"I was out with my mom and dad last night."

Misty Ringley

"I don't need excuses. I am never tardy, I am never absent, and I always do my homework."

Jason Ricketts

Greg Stidham
Brandi Stone
Tony Teters
Paula Thompson
Stephen Tickle

April Turner
Jonathan Turner
Angela Vance
Missy Willis
Joseph Wright



Class of 98 Sophomores

DRIVER'S ED CAR INTERVIEW

Q. What has been your scariest moment?

A. I have suffered so many collisions that it doesn't even scare me anymore, but I kind of worry about this Chandra Dykes girl. I'm afraid she might drive like her sister.

Q. What do you enjoy most about your job?

A. I get to cruise with some of the coolest sophomores.

Q. Is there someone special in your life?

A. Not at the moment, but I have my eye on a cute driver's ed car from Castlewood High.

-Sharma Smith

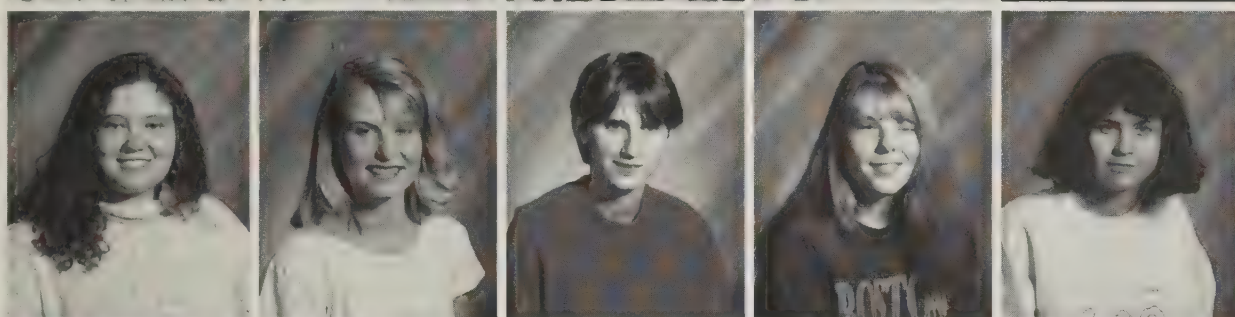




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Elisha Blevins
Clinton Bond



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Jessica Broyles
Derek Buchanan
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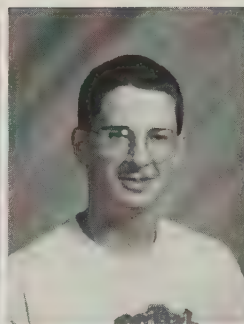
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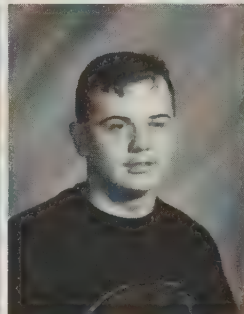
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Brandy Hayes
Terri Hutchinson
Elisha Hill
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Rose Jacobs
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Julia Johnson
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T.J. Kennedy
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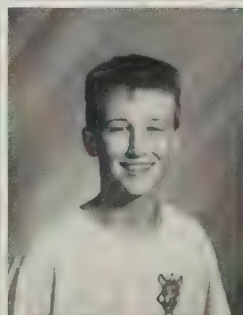
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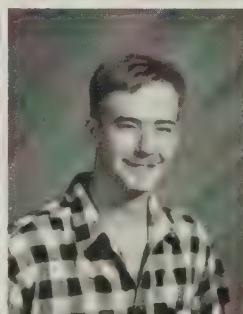
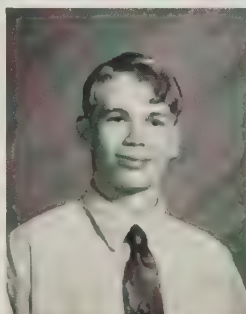
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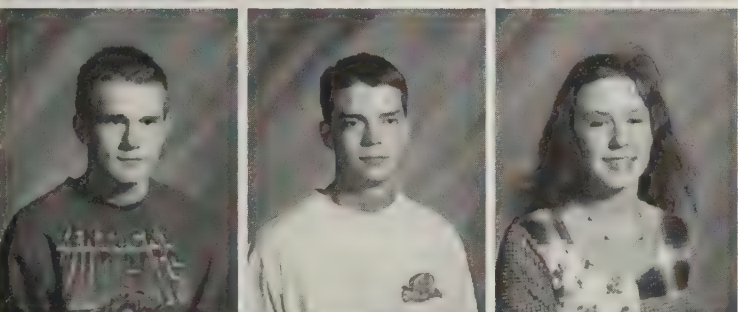


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Aaron Sluss
Jeff Smith
Connie Stallard
Wayne Stallard
Jason Stanley
Stacey Stidham



Scott Still
Gabrielle Stinson
Homer Taylor
Wesley Taylor
J.C. Vance
Crystal Ventro
Loretha Ward
Brandi Wells





Taking the time to decorate her locker, Gabrielle Stinson decorates with her favorite pictures of those people who are close to

her. Her lockermate, Autumn Mutter, has contributed to the locker's decor.

Personal Touches

Cluttered and messy or clean and neat, the lockers at CHS told a story. Many students chose to make a statement by their lockers' interior decor. Students carefully selected an arrangement of magazine clippings, stickers, pictures, posters, art, collages, magnets, calendars, and even gum! They also purchased such necessities as shelves and mirrors. Some lockers contained so many personal belongings that they became almost like second homes. Walking through the halls, it is obvious that many chose their lockers as a way to leave their *marks* at C.H.S.

-Sharma Smith

Are Brandi Wells and Mandy Greear flaunting their new designer clothing or could they just be dressed up for Homecoming week?

Who's the Boss?

Who would you chose as principal for a day?

"If I could pick anyone to be principal for a day, it would be Brad Pitt. Need I say more?"

-Mandy Greear

"If I could be principal, I would throw a big party in the gym."

-William Linkous

"I would pick Cindy Crawford. If she were principal, I wouldn't mind sitting in the office."

-Derek Buchanan

"If I were principal, I would make everyone who caused trouble clean the bathrooms and the gym."

-Vicky Hamm

Whitney Wells
Brian Williams



James Worley
Samantha Wright



Carefully demonstrating her face-painting skills, Alyson Baker reflects her talents on Carson Carnette's face, but does he realize that she is using liquid paper?





Spirited sophomores, Jessica Broyles, Patricia Carter, Elicia Akers, Wesley Taylor, and Brian Holbrook put their "best face forward."

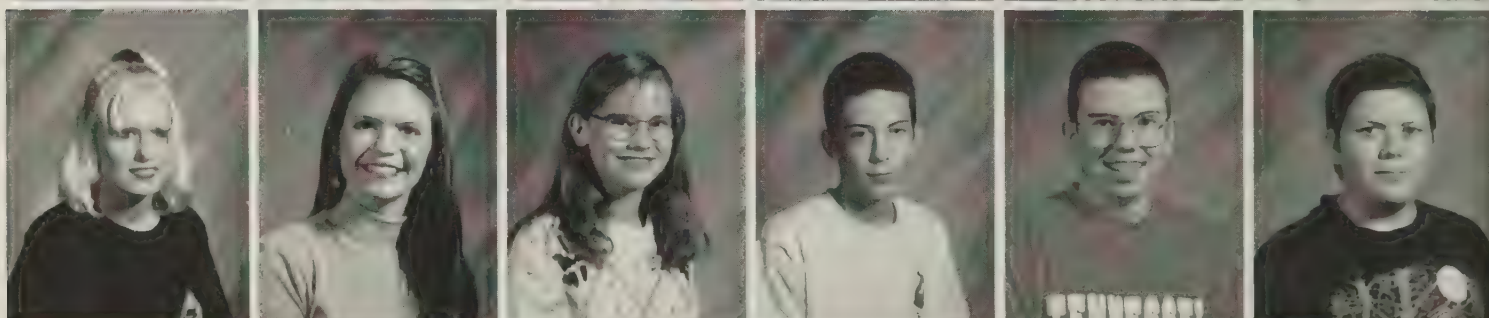


Patricia Carter, Jason Collins, Harold Glover, and Jessica Hamm demonstrate sophomore dedication to work by trying to get their writing assignment completed.

Class of 99 Freshmen

ABC's of Freshmen

A thletic	N oticeable
B ubbly	O utgoing
C ool	P roud
D etermined	Q uick-witted
E nthusiastic	R espectful
F riendly	S chool-spirited
G ifted	T errific
H appy	U nderstanding
I ntelligent	V ibrant
J olly	W ild
K nowledgeable	X -tra special
L ovable	Y oung
M otivated	Z any





Jonathan Adams
Josh Adkins
Shelly Barlow
Jessica Bates
Rachel Beaver
Stacie Bond
Matthew Bright
Jimmy Brown



Melody Bryant
Jeremy Buchanan
Tracie Burke
Amber Caldwell
Brian Caldwell
Chasity Clark
Nathan Clark
Josh Collins



Michael Collins
Wesley Couch
Michael Cunningham
Kenny Davidson
Amanda Dingus
Brooke Dotson
Chad Dotson
Ryan Ellis



Debra Falin
Miranda Finch
Tommy Finch
Nicole Flanary
Tarrus Forney
Melissa French
Tabitha Fulcher
Justin Funk



Joe Gaines
Shonn Gentry
Doretta Gibson
Kathy Gibson
Michael Gibson
Eddie Godsey
Eugene Greear
Meghan Hamilton
Polly Hammond
Jennifer Harvey
Autumn Hayes
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Beth Helbert
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Joe Krueger

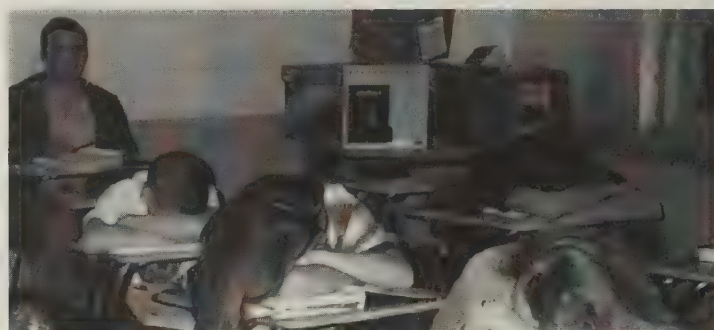




Catching up on some ZZZ's

Freshmen worked hard to keep up with school work & outside activities. They put in 7 hours of school, a couple hours of homework, plus extracurricular activities. So with their busy schedules, were freshmen getting the sleep they needed? Evidently not, because teachers found it hard to keep these pupils' eyes opened. It seemed as though the freshmen class was . . . catching up on some zzz's

Raquel Mullins



In this ninth grade math class, it seems Nathan Counts is the only one alert enough to do any work.



Brad Ketron
Jeria Kiser
Amanda Laney
Natasha Large

Wayne Lawson
Starla Lundy
Matthew Maddy
Miranda Manies

Erin Marshall
Summer Meade
Joyce Mefford
James Michaels

Brad Moore
Crystal Mullins
Matthew Mullins
Paul Mullins

Shawn Mutter
Jami McElarath
Teresa McConnell
Jon Todd Nixon

Rachel Olinger
Christina Overbay
Sherry Paige
Terry Paige



encouraging Debra Falin to put the junk food aside for awhile, Mrs. Ramey serves her a Spanish meal.

The Junk Food Zone

Is junk food important to freshmen life? According to them it is not, and yet most said they entered the "junk food zone" at least once a day, if not more. Among the favorites were pizza, ice cream, and chocolate bars. For now this indulgence may not affect them, but twenty years down the road, they may regret how many times they entered the "junk food zone."

Raquel Mullins



Allison Perry
Brooke Perry
Amanda Plaster
Aaron Pope

Terry Porter
Mary Powers
Jonathan Pridemore
Amber Puckett

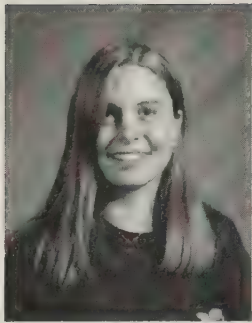
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Daniel Slemp

Greg Sluss
James Smith
Nicole Stallard
Richard Salyers





Denise Sullivan
Kari Stogdill
Monica Taylor
Nathan Teters
J.B. Tiller

In high school being accepted by your peers and making lots of friends is always important.

Friends help you through the heart breaks high school has to offer. It seems as though Jennifer

Harvey is helping buddy Brian Caldwell cope.



The Meaning of Friends

According to Webster's, the word *friend* means one attached to another by respect or affection. What does it mean to this freshmen class? Some freshmen gave their own definitions of friend:

"The word friend means someone is there for you when you need them the most. Someone to trust and rely on through good times and bad."

Amber Puckett

"It has no meaning to me."

Nick Jackson

"People who will back you up when you have problems and they help you through them the best they can."

Lucas Hurley

"Friend means caring about someone and respecting them. No matter what you do, they'll always be behind you and you'll stay friends forever. They never do anything to hurt you."

Anonymous

"Friend is someone who stands by you in good and bad times. A person you can tell your deepest secrets to and trust to keep them."

Jeria Kiser

The Great Academic Challenge

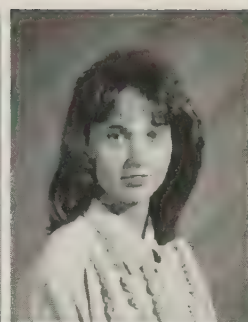
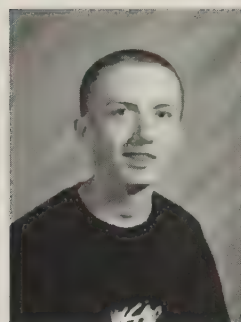
When asked if they think the ninth grade is hard, most freshmen said, "Very hard." Exactly how hard? Well, according to Brooke Dotson, "The ninth grade is the hardest grade I've encountered, but I'm sure I'll make it."

Kelli Whited stated, "It's great being a freshmen instead of an eighth grader. With one exception, the work!"

Paul Mullins said, "If it gets any harder than this, I don't know what I'll do!"

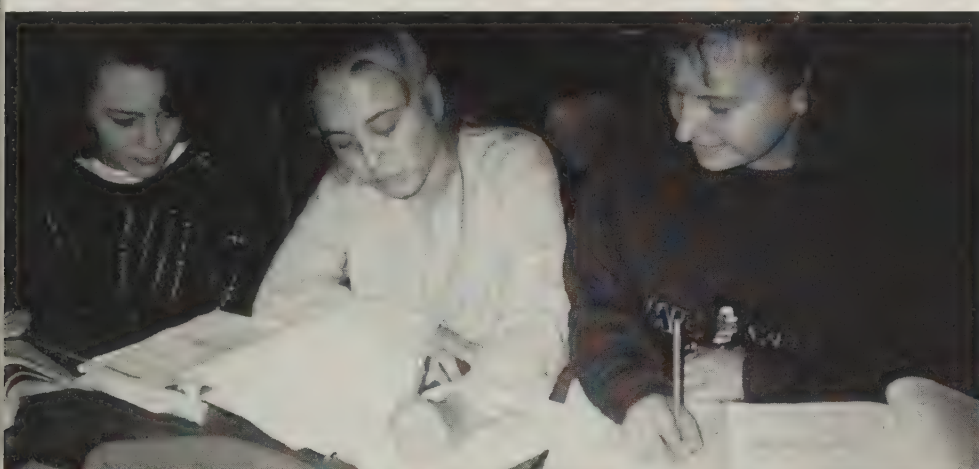
Though these freshmen thought this year has been the hardest academically, they still have a few lessons to learn.

Raquel Mullins



Michael Toohey
Ralph White
Kelli Whited
Kristi Williams

Candie Woodruff
Rebecca Wright
John York
Jonathan Yates



Whether studying a model of Shakespeare's Globe Theatre or working on math problems, these ninth grade students are meeting the academic challenge.



Class of 2000 Subfreshmen

GETTING REVENGE

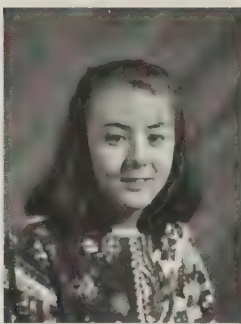
If given a chance, the eighth grade would get revenge on the seniors in a variety of ways:

"I would make them stick their fingers in a locker and slam the door because that's what they did to me."

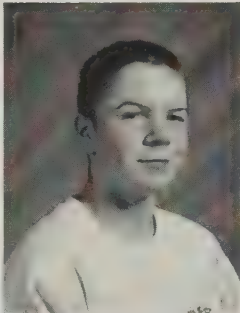
"I would shut all of their locker doors for all of the times they have walked by and shut mine."

"I would make them dance in their underwear."

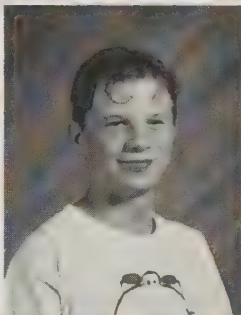




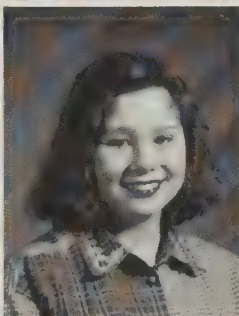
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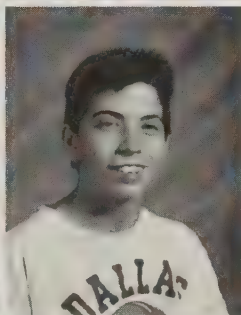
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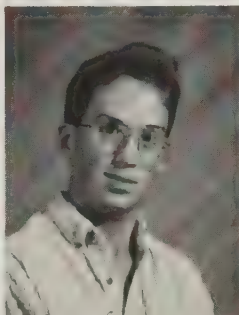
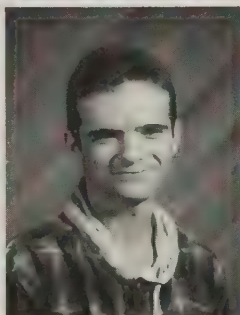
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Renee Dale
Stephen Davis



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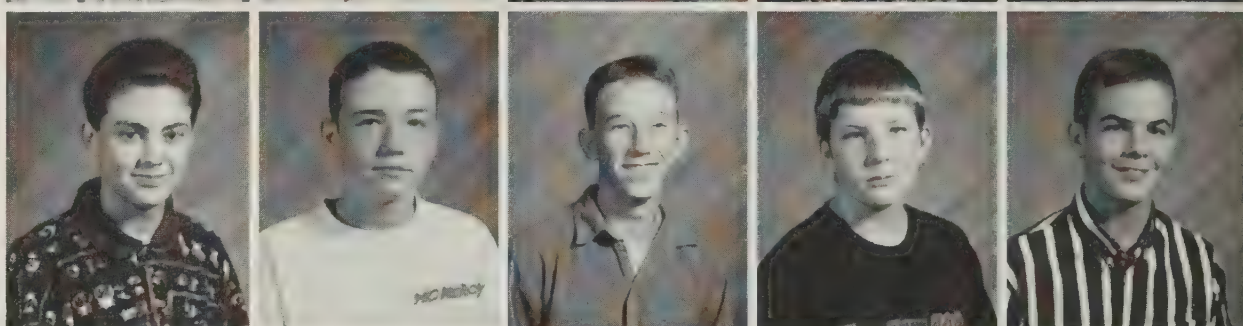
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Ashley Ketron



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Eric Lamberson
Glen Lane
Steven Large
Ryan Lawson



GYM TAKES ITS TOLL

Subfreshman have a hard time adjusting to high school life. One major change is dressing out for gym. Eighth graders shared their funniest or worst gym experiences.

"I fell down on my rear end in the locker room."

Seth Robinette

"I fell down the bleachers."

Beecher Stansberry

"I hit Coach Smith in the face with the hockey puck."

Brock Adams

"I went to get a volleyball under the bleachers and fell through the hole where the bleachers separate. I hit my head and everyone laughed."

Leigh Ann Kern

For Sasha Turner, Levi Burke, Crystal Collins, and Jonathan Salyers, gym is a good time to take out their frustrations in a game of tug-of-war.





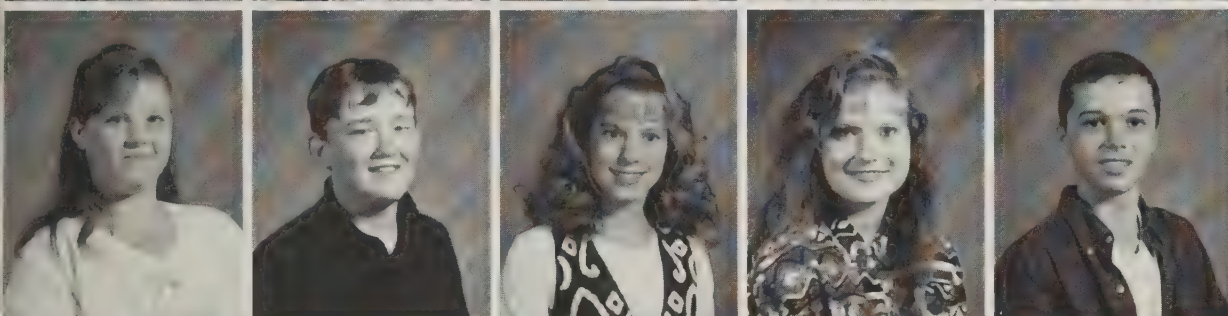
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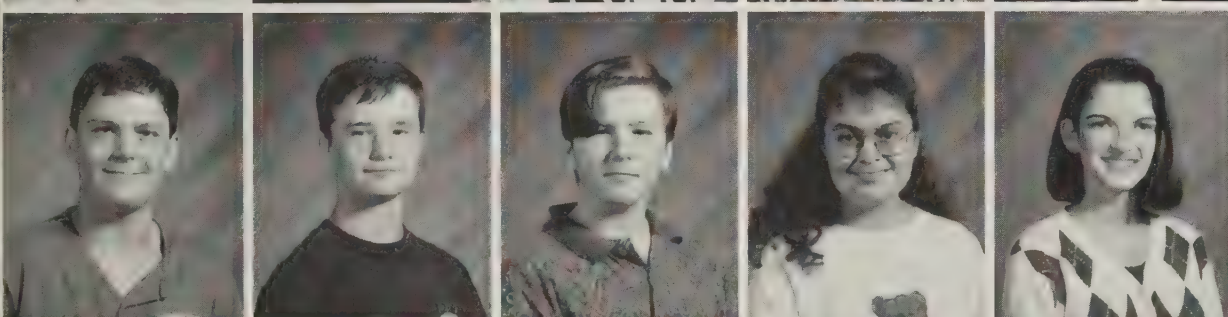
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Joey Mutter
Kristen McConnell
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Randy McCoy



Jason Nixon
Jeremy Osborne
Ryan Page
Joni Perry
Sarah Peters



Tina Porter
Anthony Proulex
Nikki Ratliff
Jennifer Redden
Katrell Reece

NOT JUST SCHOOLWORK

As if teenagers don't have enough to do during the day with schoolwork, there is also homework assigned by teachers. In addition to these activities, some parents assign household chores to be done everyday. To many students, these jobs are even worse than schoolwork. The very thought of cleaning up around the house makes them cringe. A survey taken in some eighth grade classes resulted in

some interesting responses. It showed that 87 percent of eighth grade students had chores at home and even though 80 percent of them get paid, nearly all agreed that they just don't like doing chores.

Whether it's done for money or privileges, it's a dirty, smelly, unfashionable job . . . but somebody has to do it!!

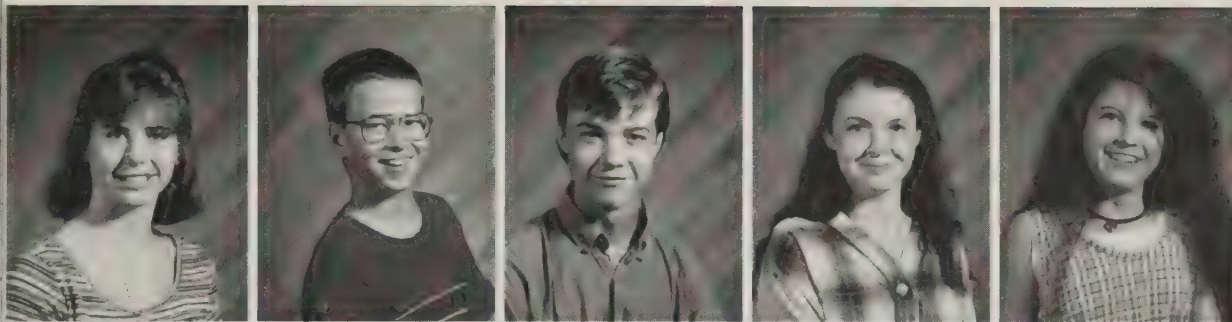
-Rebecca Owens



Sarah Smith and Regina Meade had to be coerced to do this smelly chore on a Saturday morning.

Here, Jeff Johnson shows that he has work not only at home, but also at school as he carries Pepsi products from the concession stand.





Miranda Rettinger
Brian Rhoten
William Riner
April Rose
Angela Salyers



Jonathan Salyers
Scottie Salyers
Cheryl Sanders
Buddy Sexton
Chris Sexton



Jonathan Short
Eric Sluss
Jesse Sluss
Melissa Smith
Paul Smith



Sarah Smith
Todd Smith
Leah Stair
Brandon Stallard
Jessica Stanley



Beecher Stansberry
Renee Stapleton
Sasha Turner
Nelson Vance
Steven Williams



Roger Wilson
Wesley Woodruff
Erin Worley
Angela Wright
Matthew Yates



Making our mark in

Academics

Contrary to popular belief, the main focus of school was **not** social time with friends, assembly programs, ballgames, or even pizza in the cafeteria on Wednesdays. The axis on which school turned was . . . academics.

During the year, Blue Knights expressed interest and intrigue with their courses, whether they were academic or vocational. These classes offered the opportunity to gain knowledge and experience in various areas while giving students a worthwhile focus.

Art students were challenged, for example, not only with basic artistic techniques, but also with the opportunity to create crafts such as Indian dream-catchers. Seven dedicated students learned the basics of year-book and newspaper production by spending long hours in journalism class as well as working on snow days and before or after school to create the 184 pages of the *Reflector* and special editions of the *Charger*. Future thespians committed to long, difficult practices in order to compete in the VHSL One-Act Play competition in November. Despite receiving only a fifth-place rating, drama class continued and students learned even more about the world of theatre.

Life skills were learned in home economics classes, where Knights were taught techniques to make everyday life easier. Wise County Vocational School offered practical and challenging courses in everything from sheet metal to cosmetology where students acquired actual on-the-job skills.

Teachers, meanwhile, utilized hands-on activities, like mock trials in English 10 and dissection of frogs in biology, to keep students motivated and interested. These things kept students focused on academics.

Even though students entertained themselves with ballgames and cafeteria gossip, classes were the main concern for Blue Knights. Whether the course was barely passed with a 70 average or honors were earned, academic studies left a definite mark on each student's school year.



Knowing that if she does not apply her knowledge she will never understand pre-algebra, Erin Worley tries to make sense of a complicated problem.

-Beth French

Principal Notes Changes

Throughout his 20 years as principal, Dr. Danny C. Greear has observed many changes from new teachers to new classes and sports. Since his career here began, CHS has added classes such as Spanish, Creative Writing,

A.P. English and History, as well as a variety of math courses. Our sports program has increased to include volleyball, softball, and boys' tennis. Even school facilities such as the library and the band room have been expanded and a

new field house has been added under Dr. Greear's administration.

Having been involved with education for 31 years, Dr. Greear has not only seen numerous changes, but he has also influenced the lives of many students. He stated

that some of the rewards of such service are "knowing that former graduates are now leading successful lives" and that he has been "a small part of their lives."

-Sharma Smith

Linda Johnson
Bookkeeper



Hora Siemp
Secretary



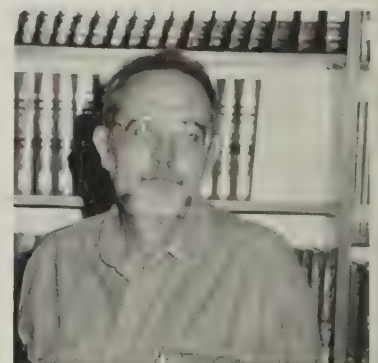
Danny C. Greear
Principal



Steve Hubbard
Assistant Principal
Head Baseball Coach



Donald Blansett
Sr. High Guidance Counselor
English 10
NHS



Lucille Carico
Jr. High Guidance Counselor
English 10
Knightettes
Hospitality Chairperson

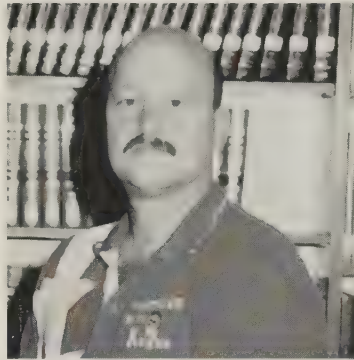




Jeff Adkins- Physical Science;
Varsity Girls' Basketball; Varsity
Boys' Basketball

Debbie Bates- Civics; U.S.
History; NJHS

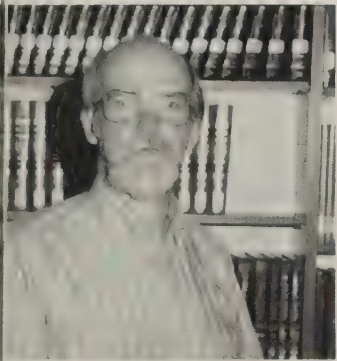
Treva Buchanan- Geometry;
Algebra I and II; NHS; Junior
Sponsor



Valerie Cox- A.P. English 12;
English 12; Speech & Drama;
Forensics; Girls' Track Coach;
Cross Country; Senior Sponsor

Roy Dockery- Earth Science;
Physics; Ecology Club

Jeff Dotson- Special Education;
Girls' Volleyball



Carroll Hall- Biology; PACE
Coach

Larry Harris- Earth Science;
Chemistry; Assistant Baseball
Coach, JV Football Coach

Teresa Hicks- English 8, 9, 10;
Assistant Yearbook Advisor; Od-
yssey of the Mind Coach, Spelling
Bee Coordinator



Showing off his five-year resto-
ration project, Coach Ed Salyers
is sure to tell these students all
about his 1929 A-model Ford.

NO PHOTO AVAILABLE:

Fred Crabtree
Robert Fultz
Nancy Helbert
Frank Morris
Dennis Mullins
Mike Phillips
Lynn Ramey
Rosa Rhodes
Kenneth Richardson
Terry Smith

Judy Hill- English 10; Honors
English 10; Journalism;
Yearbook/Newspaper Advisor

Anne Hilton- Keyboarding; Office
Systems; FBLA

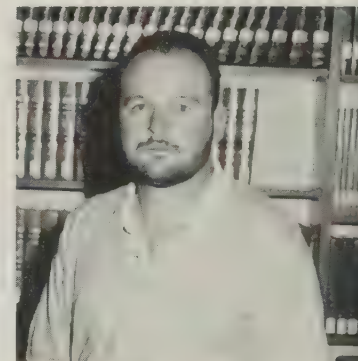
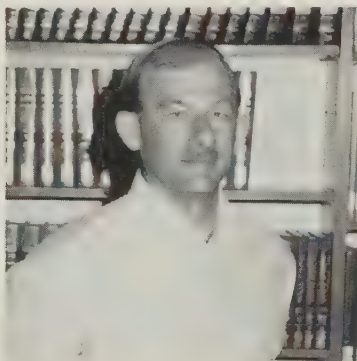
Linda Jessee- French I, II, III;
French Club; Christmas Dance;
Post-Prom Party; Head Senior
Sponsor



Ed Johnson- Physical Science;
Applied Biology; Driver's Education;
Health/P.E.; Assistant Football
Coach

Pam Johnson- A.P. History;
Government 12; SCA; Senior
Sponsor

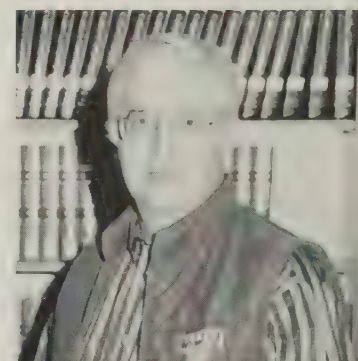
Danny Lee- Special Education; Golf
Coach; Boys' Tennis; J.V. Boys'
Basketball



Nadine Lyons- Special Education;
Co-Ed-Hi-Y

Karen Peters- Creative Writing;
English 9; Reading Coordinator;
PACE

Joe Ramey- In-School Suspension
Supervisor



YEARS OF INFLUENCE

As caring, capable teachers, Betty Rothwell and Unita Odle influenced many students. After retiring in '95, both really miss the students and faculty. Seeing her "students becoming successful members of society" is still a pleasure for Mrs. Rothwell and Mrs. Odle considers "playing a small part in the lives of so many students" as one of her accomplishments.

Each enjoys retirement by relaxing with family and friends. Mrs. Rothwell enjoys going to ballgames without hurrying home to grade papers while Mrs. Odle enjoys listening to books on tape.

-Sharma Smith





Jeannie Rasnick- Librarian; Library Club; Forensics Sponsor

Carl Richards- Algebra II; Trigonometry; Head Football Coach

Opal Salyers- Work and Family Studies; Junior Prom Sponsor; Child Study Committee Member; Hospitality Committee Member; FHA



Teresa Shortt- C.I.S., Accounting, FBLA, Yearbook Business Manager

Sherynn Stallard- Special Education; Art Class

Vicki Stidham- English 10, C.I.S., Word Processing, J.V. Cheerleader Sponsor, Prom Sponsor, FBLA



Tim Thomas- Geography; Economics/Sociology; Boys' Track Coach; Assistant Football Coach

Melissa Tunnell- Keyboarding; Superwrite; FBLA; Senior Sponsor

James Ward- Algebra I; Math 9; Wrestling



Valerie Ward- French I; English 11; Varsity Cheerleader Sponsor; Senior Sponsor

Taking on the impossible task of keeping the school in top condition are custodians Mike Meade, Danny McCarty, and Nancy Fleming. (Not pictured: Mitty Varble.)

Here Tonya Addington demonstrates that she can take care of you when you get sick. She practices on a dummy for now, but one day she may be starring on the hit show *ER*.

If one person can't figure out what's wrong, then the other may be able to seem to be the philosophy of Kevin Collins and Michael Maddy in their Auto Mechanics class.



In his Small Engine Repair class, Randy Moore demonstrates his ability to put an engine together and have it running.



Showing that three can work better than one, Mack Kiser, Joseph Blanton, and Doug Pettit prove that they can work together in their Electricity class and not shock one another.

Using caution, Garry Stallard and Boone Luther carefully cut a piece of wood for their next project in their Carpentry class.





In their Drafting class, Frankie Barlow and Billy Salyers plot out coordinates for an original house plan.

Who knows: maybe they will some day sell the plans they are working on to someone famous and earn a great deal of money.



In his Auto Body class, Brian Gouge demonstrates his skills while priming a truck and getting it ready for a new coat of paint.

In-House Training



Every day more than a hundred students took a bus ride to the Wise Vocational School to get "In-House Training." They got a head start on their job training in many different areas such as child care, printing, drafting, and auto mechanics.

Students that went to the technical school did more than just book work; they got hands-on experience. At the beginning of



Happy to get a customer who doesn't complain, Shannon Still works cheerfully and confidently.

the year they usually studied books and took tests about what they eventually would get their hands on. Then during second semester, they got to use the various skills they had learned in class to actually work on items and make materials. These activities enhanced the learning process.

Jessi Stanley



ART Counter-clockwise: Tim Hall, Jenni Funk, Amanda Luther, Jessica Dotson, Crystal Addington, James Campbell, J.B. Miller, Brandon Hale, and Karly Moulse.

In Latin, James Worley was the center of attention the day he dressed up as Julius Caesar for extra credit.



During a private performance, Shannon Still, Margaret Perry, Ashley Herald, Laura Melius, Jennifer Jonsrud, Tiffany Stallard, and Debbi Overbay sing an ex-

cerpt from *Phantom of the Opera* after their public performance at the parent-teacher conference on March 26.

Making their "dream catchers", these art students, Crystal Addington, Daniel Hale, and Karly Moulse, think Brandon Hale has lost his head imagining all the nice dreams he will have.





CHORUS Row one: A. Lawson, A. Davis, R. Puckett, B. Collins, C. Baber, S. Robbins, L. Melius, S. Sheets, and S. Still.
Row two: B. Mullins, T. Greear, S.

Lane, C. Bates, J. Jonsrud, D. Overbay, R. Horne, and M. Farmer.
Row three: J. Funk, T. Boggs, A. Mefford, T. Stallard, C. Gibson, M.

Ringley, and B. Ellis.
Row four: D. Pettit, J. Carico, M. Blankenbecler, B. Blankenbecler, and J. Wells.

Outside the Norm

Unlike most of us, several students like to take some unusual classes. Chorus students have to get up extra early three mornings a week to practice. Latin students don't have an in-class teacher. They have class by way of an electronic classroom with classmates whose residences range from Virginia to New York. Art class is a constant hands-on activity since their requirements are to create projects all year.



At the Parent-Teacher conference, Laura Melius and Jennifer Jonsrud put on their best performances. After all, this is their senior year.

Although these classes are a bit unusual, these students received credits for their efforts and although they had to work harder, at the end of the year, it all paid off. Senior chorus students got to sing at their own graduation, Art students had their own masterpieces to treasure, and the Latin students received help in their career goals, and at the same time, learned a new language.

Rebecca Owens



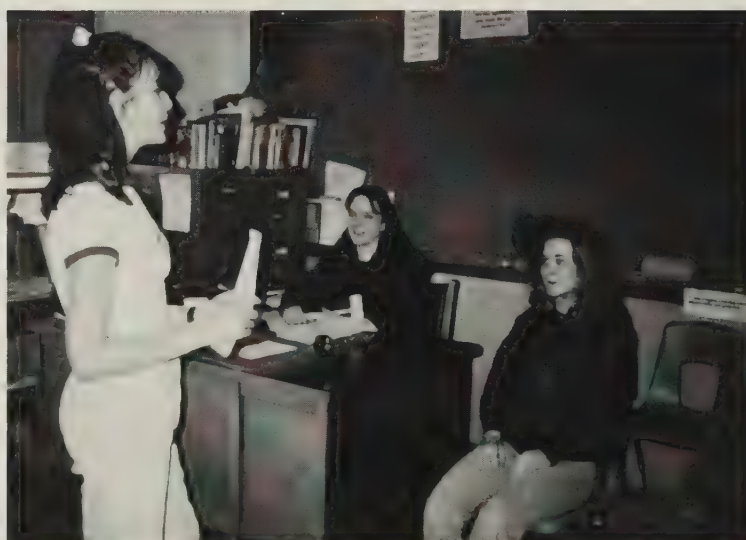
Each Friday students from Mrs. Peters' Creative Writing class go to the Primary School to read to the kids. Here Eric Ratliff reads to an eager child.



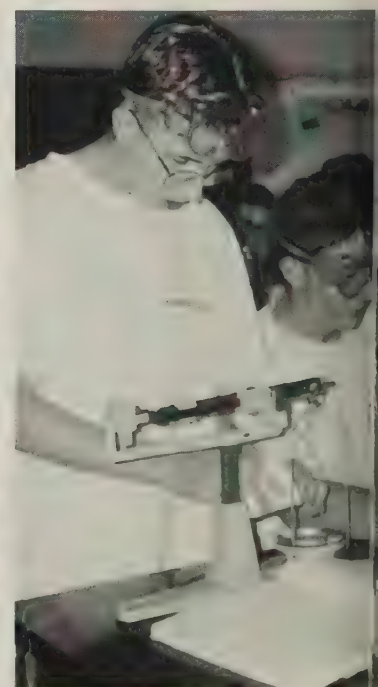
Students in chemistry class have to pay attention. Lonnie Moore listens to Coach Harris' instructions as Amanda Rasnake and April Keith continue with their experiment.



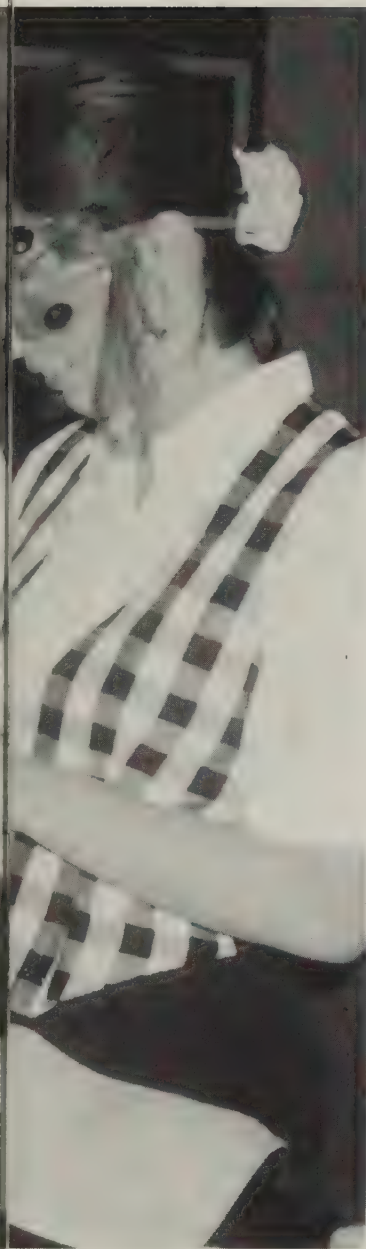
Demonstrating that Medea was insane to want her head burst open, Clinton Bond uses a melon to drive home his point during a mock trial in English 10.



Participating in a mock trial, Jessica Hamm questions Jessica Jonsrud as Judge Mandy Greear listens to the testimony.



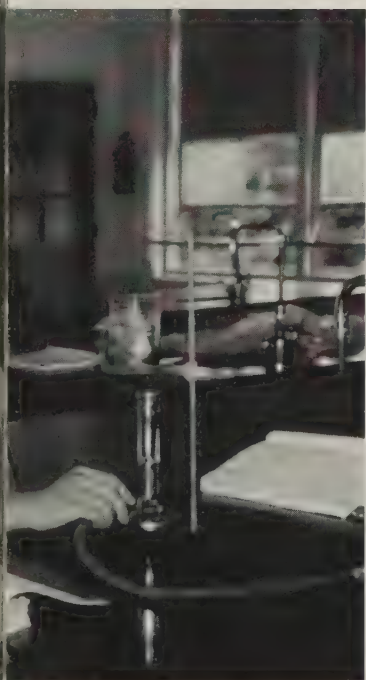
Chemistry students Brad Jesse and Lonnie Moore perform many experiments during their class time.



By taking Food Management class, students can learn many practical things that will help them now as well as later in life. Here Melinda Plaster

Osborne works diligently to learn how to control the sewing machine and demonstrate her skills.

Not Just Lectures



Keeping a class of students interested for an hour can be hard, but some teachers captured students' interest through special activities and hands-on experiments. By working through activities, students were forced to pay close attention to what was going on, and becoming active participants helped students to learn in a pleasant manner.

English 10 classes participated in mock trials, which allowed students to



During Drama class, Jeremy Wells performs his Forensics presentation to his classmates.

assume a role from the courtroom and act out a trial. Chemistry students did numerous experiments throughout the year and home economic classes cooked, took care of egg babies, and held a wedding among other activities.

Teaching through hands-on enabled students to become more interested and eager to learn.

-Deidra Osborne

Friday night concessions are a must in Journalism. Beth French and Jessi Stanley serve customers with a smile in spite of the fact that it is Homecoming and they are seniors.



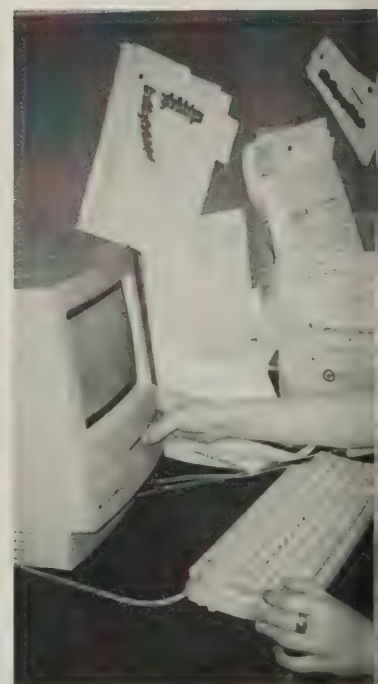
Senior and second-year Journalism student Regan Puckett laughs at the joke Autumn Mutter tells her as she accepts money for some Peanut M&M's.



Picture day is always hectic. Journalism students rush to help fellow students get ready for their pictures. Juniors Sharma Smith and Rebecca Owens are asking

for names and homeroom teachers as they try to hurry everyone back to class after their pictures.

Preparing to merge and print her French Club pages, Raquel Mullins pushes her disk in at the command of the computer.





Each member of Journalism works hard and is very ambitious to make her work the best pos-

sible. Sitting: second year, Regan Puckett and Beth French; Standing: first year, Rebecca Owens,

Deidra Osborne, Jessi Stanley, Sharma Smith, and not pictured, Raquel Mullins.

Stress and Deadlines

Journalism is considered a "piece of cake" class, but once students walk into the class, they realize that talk is cheap. The class is full of work and students take on loads of extra assignments and donate free time in order to produce the *Charger* and the *Reflector*.

Not just anyone can be in Journalism. Junior and Seniors have certain requirements they must meet to be accepted. A student must maintain an A or B in English class,

"Journalism is one of the most demanding classes in school because it requires total dedication. Students are asked to make the yearbook a priority and that includes raising over \$18,000, taking pictures, drawing page designs, and writing copy."

-Mrs. Hill

have excellent attendance, and avoid out-of-school suspension. In addition to that, students must show dependability, responsibility, and initiative.

Money-making projects were a huge factor. Students had to sacrifice class time to sell ads in Coeburn and neighboring towns, work concession stands at Friday night football games, and sell Avon.

-Raquel Mullins

The 1995-96 Drama Competition Team: Chandra Dykes (crew — keyboards); Missy Willis (crew — prompter); Beth French (cast — Daughter); and Amanda Lawson (cast — Mother).

Make-up application is part of drama class. However, Tiffany Kyle, Ashley Herald, and Michelle Hall might be going a little overboard with the blue and white paint they are applying to Eric Ratliff.



"The Runaway Pancake" proves to be an interesting story as Garry Stanley projects his voice into the enthralled audience.

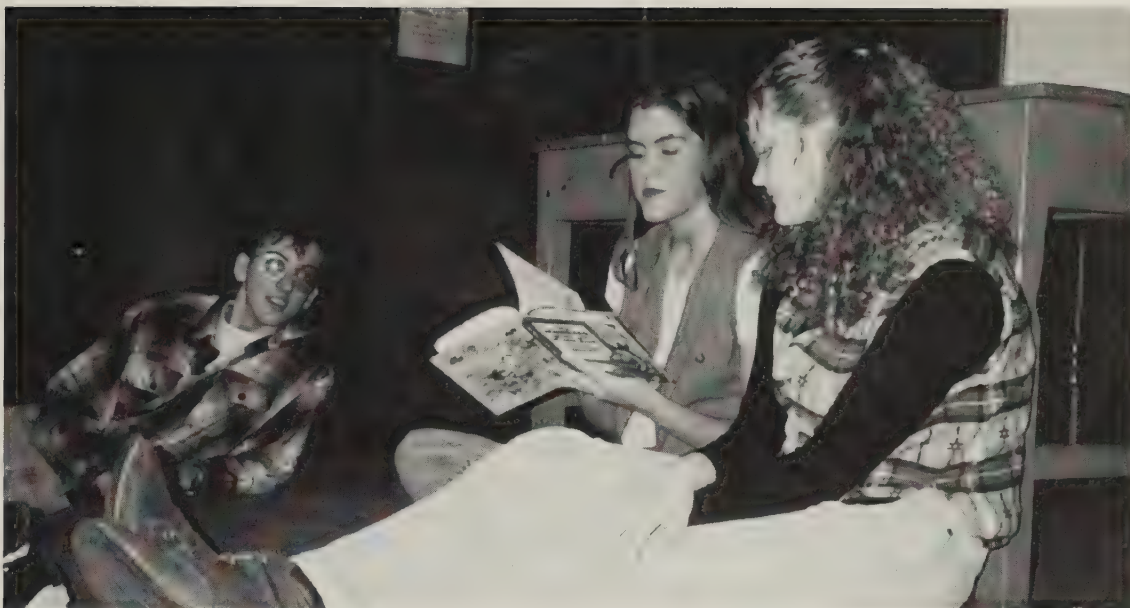


Drama class

Row One: T. Kyle, A. Sayers, M. Willis, C. Dykes, A. Mefford, R. Flanary, J. Hill. Row Two: D. Kern,

B. French, A. Lawson, G. Stanley, M. Hall. Row Three: B. Stone, E. Ratliff, Mrs. V. Cox, J. Bell, J. Hall, I. Hamilton.





"The Monster at the End of This Book" is a classic children's story for all Sesame Street fans. Here, Danielle Kern turns the page and prepares to assume the character of Grover while continuing her

forensics reading of the book. By changing her voice and using gestures, Danielle can make the story more interesting for listeners and it will help her understand the concept of forensics read-

ings. Ryan Flanary and Brandi Stone listen attentively in hopes of picking up tips for their storytelling.

Talents Unlimited

After receiving a fifth-place ranking in the LPD VHSL One-Act Play Competition, the drama team is not depressed in the least. Obviously, something was slipped in their drinks at Burger King.



Living life in the spotlight, Blue Knight student thesians took on the challenge of Drama Class for the new school year.

On November 15, *Tell Me Another Story, Sing Me A Song* was presented at Powell Valley High School for the VHSL LPD One-Act Play Competition, where it placed fifth.

As the year progressed, students studied how to perform various forensics pieces and learned the el-



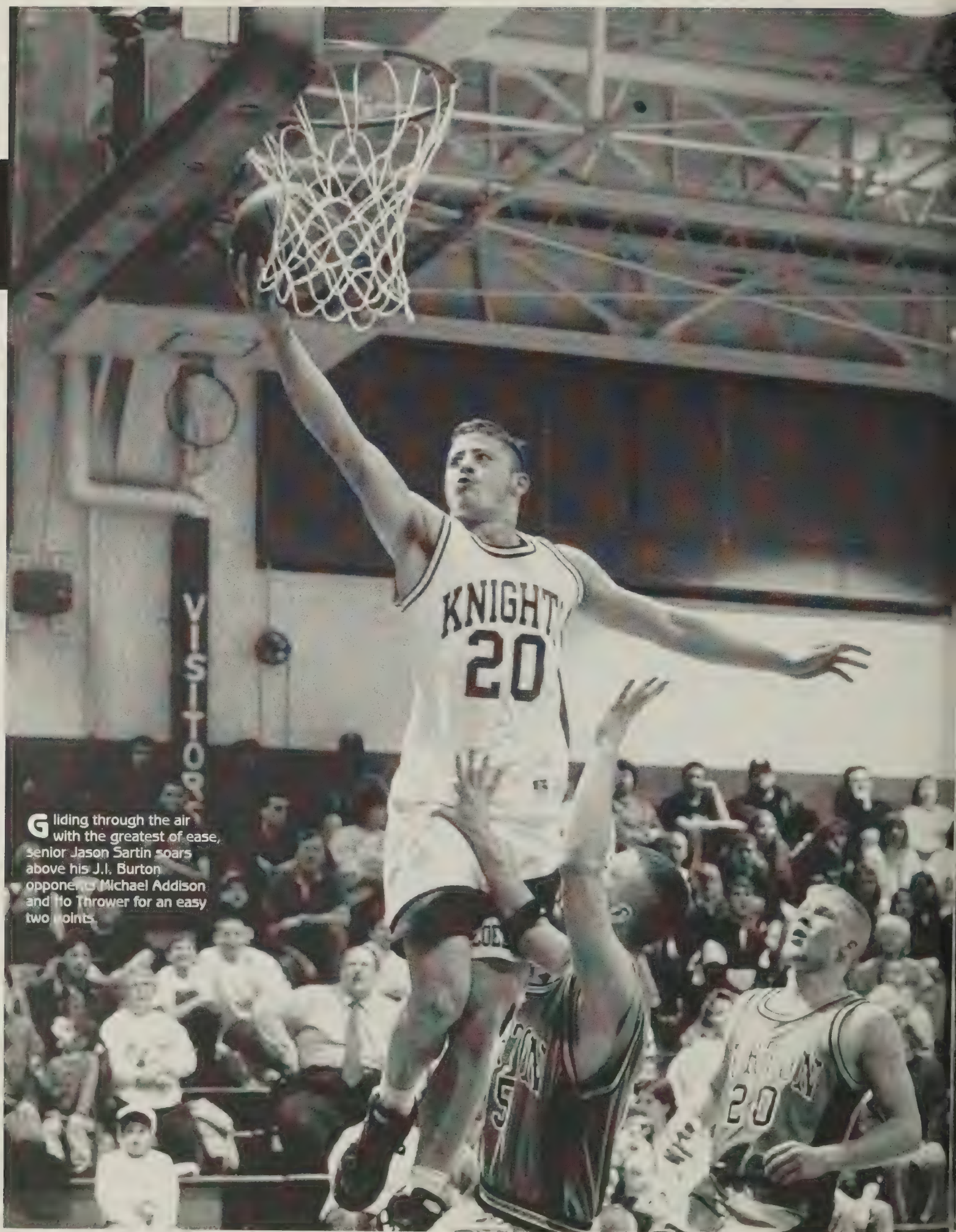
Looking on as a class-written skit is presented, Mrs. Cox prepares to record a grade for the performers.

ements required for an excellent performance by writing skits, mimicking voices and sounds, and assembling costume and make-up plots.

Finally, two productions, *Shock of His Life* and *Just a High School Play* were performed for the student body on May 17 with enthusiastic responses. With hard work ethics and creative driving forces, thesbian knights made their marks on theatrics.

-Beth French





Gliding through the air with the greatest of ease, senior Jason Sartin soars above his J.I. Burton opponents Michael Addison and Ho Thrower for an easy two points.

Making our mark in

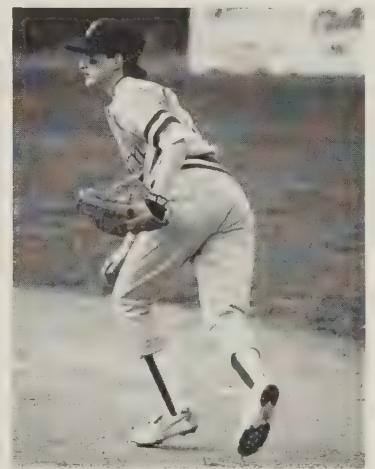
Athletics

What is an athlete? Blue Knights conveyed a definition of this word by cooperating with teammates, striving to reach personal potential, overcoming team and individual inhibitions, triumphing over competitors humbly, and demonstrating good sportsmanship by accepting defeat with grace.

Throughout the year, both teams and individuals fulfilled the definition of athlete. The golf team made their first appearance at the VHSL State Golf Tournament since 1986 and placed second in LPD and Region D competitions. Boys' and girls' basketball thrilled both spectators and Coach Adkins by walking away with LPD championship titles, a first ever for the Lady Knights and a back-to-back victory title for the boys. Cross Country competed at the state level, with Hjordis Hennig being named to the All-State team. Girls' softball captured both the LPD season and tournament titles, even though it was the school's first team. Blue Knight matmen advanced to the VHSL State Wrestling Tournament, despite losing leading senior member Sidney Flanary to a broken bone. Individual track team members brought home glory not only for themselves, but their team as well, by placing in the LPD, Region D, and State events. Even though the sweet and sour season records of volleyball, tennis, and baseball brought several heavy hearts and even a few tears, Knights learned through those experiences and determined to come back stronger next year, while cheerleaders supported their precious Knights through thick and thicker.

Through all of their battles in the world of sports, whether it was with a broken ankle or simply finding a ride to practice, Blue Knights let their true athletic demeanors show, etching into both their supporters' and opponents' minds the true definition of an athlete, and forever *making their mark*.

-Beth French



Fierce determination can be seen on the face of softball player Tamara Clark, who keeps a keen and watchful eye on the ball at all times. Tamara's devotion to her sport greatly helped her team as they went on to claim the LPD championship title.



Spark

The varsity cheerleaders developed a new project when the new school year began. Each cheerleader had a secret pal during football season, and every Friday each girl took candy or some type of gift to that secret pal. After the season was over, if the secret pal could not guess who supplied the gifts, each coach promised to buy the identified cheerleader something in return.

Doing what she loves best, Missy Willis is all smiles as she helps to get the Blue Knight fans fired up for the game.

Some coaches returned the favor by giving gift certificates and treat bags. Although some of the girls did not receive anything, the cheerleaders are enthusiastic about sponsoring the project again next year.

Deidra Osborne

Practicing their stunts before a basketball game, Missy Willis and Deidra Osborne are ready to toss Brandy Fannon up to an extension.



Chanting "Blue Knights" during the LPD tournament game, Missy Willis, Brandy Fannon, and Deidra Osborne let their school spirit shine through.



Varsity Cheerleaders Row One: Bevins, Amber Rowland, Lisa Missy Willis, Brandy Fannon, Heather Horne. Row Two: Suzy



Junior Varsity Row One: Rebecca Robbins, Erica Sanders. Row Two: Allison Perry, Brooke Perry.



Row Three: Jeria Kiser, Megan Hamilton, Tiffany Kyle, and Traci Burke.



Performing between quarters varsity cheerleaders Deidra Osborne, Missy Willis, Brandy Fannon, Suzy Bevins, and Amber Rowland entertain the crowd.

Junior varsity members, Jeria Kiser, Brooke Perry, and Traci Burke, cheer the Blue Crew on to a victory during the jamboree.

What has been the greatest thing this year about being a cheerleader?

"I always have a ride to the games and I do not have to pay to get in."

Suzy Bevins

"The LPD championship game; the fans were great."

Missy Willis

"People actually complimented us on how much we accomplished this year."

Deidra Osborne

"Getting to know the squad—they are my best friends."

Brandy Fannon

"It gave me a chance to be loud and not get in trouble for it."

Rebecca Robbins

"Making the squad was enough for me."

Tiffany Kyle

Swinging

Proving that golf is not just a sport of leisure that only involves chasing a little white ball, the golf team made an intriguing impression with "things that swing" under Coach Danny Lee.

In LPD competition, Coeburn placed second, with Brian Williams and Brad Salyers selected as All-District players. At Region D competition, Coeburn again placed second, qualifying them for the State Tournament in Hot Springs, Virginia,

where they finished eighth.

Of seventy golfers at State competition, Brian Williams received 30th place and Brian McConnell received 55th place.

In the history of Coeburn High School, this was only the second appearance at the VHSL State Golf Tournament and the first appearance since 1986. However, according to Coach Lee, this will not be the last. "We will be back!"

-Beth French

Golf Highlights

Graduating Seniors

Shaun Renfro
Brad Salyers

All-District

Brian Williams
Brad Salyers

State Individuals

Brian Williams
Brian McConnell



Taking careful aim at the next hole, Brian McConnell prepares to swing.

Practicing his swing before teeing off at the VHSL State Golf Competition, Brad Salyers knows that

soon this extra work will pay off.

After the state golf competition, Shaun Renfro, Brian Williams, Brad Salyers, Brian McConnell,

and Tim Hall display their trophy with pride.



Pausing during their lunch hour to remember some of the highlights of their five-year golf careers, Brad Salyers and Shaun Renfro brag to Joseph Porter about who has a better swing.

Although Shaun Renfro could use some hip-swiveling pointers from Elvis, his swing still does not miss the little white ball.

"I play golf because it is fun and I enjoy the competition from other schools. My favorite moment of the entire season was when I shot the best score of my life in the Region D Tournament, an 86."

-Brad Salyers

"I play golf because it is fun and relaxing and you get to meet new people from different schools, (although there's no girls.) To next year's players, good luck and try to be as good as we were!"

-Shaun Renfro

Men of the Gridiron

Create

Excitement

The big blue wrecking crew seemed to be on their way to an excellent season with a record of 4-0. However, the disappointments of the season began when the Green Wave visited and put the first of five blemishes on what started as a perfect record.

Although the Knights played their hardest, they could not put the pieces back together. This caused yet another loss to the Raiders.

With determination in their hearts, the Knights traveled to Bristol to

avenge a Homecoming loss which the Bearcats handed them the previous season. The Knights were victorious. In the next two contests, the Knights faced the top two teams in the L.P.D. Both attempts ended in defeat, but neither the Bull Dawgs or the Vikings earned these victories easily.

The final game matched the Knights with the Golden Wave of Grundy. Unfortunately, the regular season ended with another defeat.

Raquel Mullins

US	OPPONENT	THEM
46	St. Paul	6
47	J.J. Kelly	6
40	Pound	12
52	Abingdon	13
13	Clintwood	18
07	J.I. Burton	15
19	VA High	13
14	Appalachia	26
22	Powell Valley	30
06	Grundy	14



Quarterback Jon Hall distances himself from Powell Valley Viking, Kevin Reed, and others as he runs for one of three touchdowns.



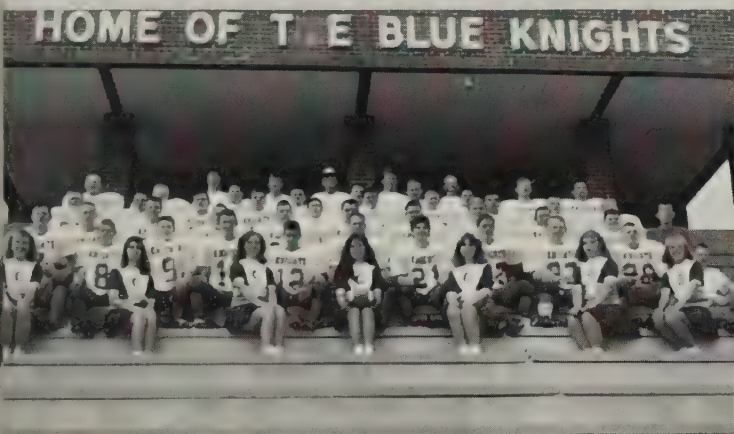
Blue Knight defenders, Jonathan Carico and Nathan Stanley, do their job as they out hussle Alan Stout of the St. Paul Deacons.

Row one: J. Sartin, G. Sluss, B. Ketron, B. McConnell, M. McConnell, J. Hall, R. White, J. Odle, J. Sanders, J. Kennedy, B. Rhoten Row two: P. Owens, J. Bryant, H. Stanley, T. Teters, P. Lawson, B. McNew, I. Hamilton, J. Ringley, J. Mills, H. Taylor Row three: A. Boone,

B. Addington, W. Linkous, S. Adams, N. Jackson, J. Carico, J. Bell, K. Collins, K. Hamilton, E. Johnson Row four: D. Petit, C. Bond, J. Deloach, B. Love, D. Buchanan, S. Owens, J. Turner, B. Blankenbecler, J. Wells

Row one: J. Mutter, T. Smith, A. Gray, B. Hale, B. Nixon Row two: J. Carter, R. Lawson, J. Nixon, B. Meade, G. Adkins, J. Meade Row three: D. Hamm, G. Lane, B. Stansberry, R. Greear, R.

Thompson, R. Wilson Row four: J. Mathieson, J. Smith, B. Ketron, N. Jackson, E. Johnson



Blue Knight fans and players watch in suspense as Jason Sartin intercepts a pass intended for St. Paul tight end Josh Johnson.

After a well-deserved victory over the St. Paul Deacons, Coach Carl Richards lets his team know he is proud of them, but they still have a long season ahead.

OFFENSIVE STANDOUTS

Jason Bryant, RB, Sr.
531 career carries
3,756 career yards
230 career points

Jason Sartin, SE, Sr.
89 career catches
1480 career yards
21 touchdown catches

Jon Hall, QB, Jr.
133 of 268 passes
2214 career passing yards
25 career touchdown passes

DEFENSIVE STANDOUTS

Johnny Kennedy, LB, Sr.
256 career tackles
34 career sacks

Israel Hamilton, LB, Jr.
148 career tackles
18 career sacks
3 career touchdowns



Lady Knights

Rule

The Court

A dream became reality as a group of twelve determined girls reached a place no other girls' team in Coeburn's history ever had—the regional tournament. It took a season full of intensity to get there because each game was a crucial battle to reach the top. Ranked second going into the district tournament, the Lady Knights stood strong and with fire in their eyes defeated Wise for the title. It was an achievement that the team

knew was within their grasp.

At the buzzer, the thrill of the moment was almost intoxicating, as both the players and fans met in the middle of the floor to bask in their glory. The trophy meant they were district tournament champions and it was the key to the regional tournament. The season will go down in the school's history, as these girls proved that they, without a doubt, ruled the court!

-Regan Puckett



Changing places for a day, the cheerleaders and varsity basketball players were able to experience a sport from a different perspective.

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SCOREBOARD

US	OPPONENT	THEM
39	Rye Cove	66
56	Powell Valley	38
59	Pound	44
66	Twin Springs	57
56	Clintwood	44
49	J.J. Kelly	58
62	St. Paul	69
65	Appalachia	39
30	J.I. Burton	31
81	St. Paul	65
71	Twin Springs	44
68	Powell Valley	47
58	Pound	39
57	Clintwood	58
49	J.J. Kelly	43
81	Appalachia	43
44	J.I. Burton	31
59	Rye Cove	44

LPD TOURNAMENT

71	Appalachia	55
62	Clintwood	52
48	J.J. Kelly	46

REGION TOURNAMENT

46	Haysi	86
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VARSITY TEAM Kneeling: Regan Puckett, Misti Sayers, Brandi Collins, and Allison Davis. Standing: Margaret Perry,

Amber Collins, Candy Bates, DeeDee McCarty, Brandi Stone, Amanda Luther, and Raquel Mullins.



JUNIOR VARSITY Kneeling: Summer Meade, Tamara Clark, and Chastidy Clark.

Standing: Amber Puckett, Kelli Whited, Becki Mann, Beth Helbert, and Brooke Dotson.



OUTSTANDING PLAYERS

By the awards and titles given to individuals on the girls' basketball team, it was obvious the team possessed much talent.

After taking the title of tournament champions, Brandi Stone, Candy Bates, and Brandi Collins were awarded the honor of being named to the tournament team. Candy Bates was also voted MVP of this tournament.

Brandi Collins was inducted into the 1000 point club in a game against Powell Valley. She, along with Brandi Stone, Candy Bates, and DeeDee McCarty, was chosen as All-LPD. Brandi Collins was also named as All-Regional.

-Regan Puckett



Stretching herself to the limit, Brandi Stone rises above Kelly opponent, Heather Holbrook, for an easy two points.

Showing off their trophy with pride, seniors Misti Sayers, Brandi Collins, Candy Bates, Regan Puckett, Allison Davis, and Amanda Luther share their excitement with Dr. Greear.



Earn

Championships

Both the girls' and boys' basketball teams were very successful in their 1996 seasons. The girls earned the title of District Tournament Champions, while the boys became regular season champs for the second

year in a row.

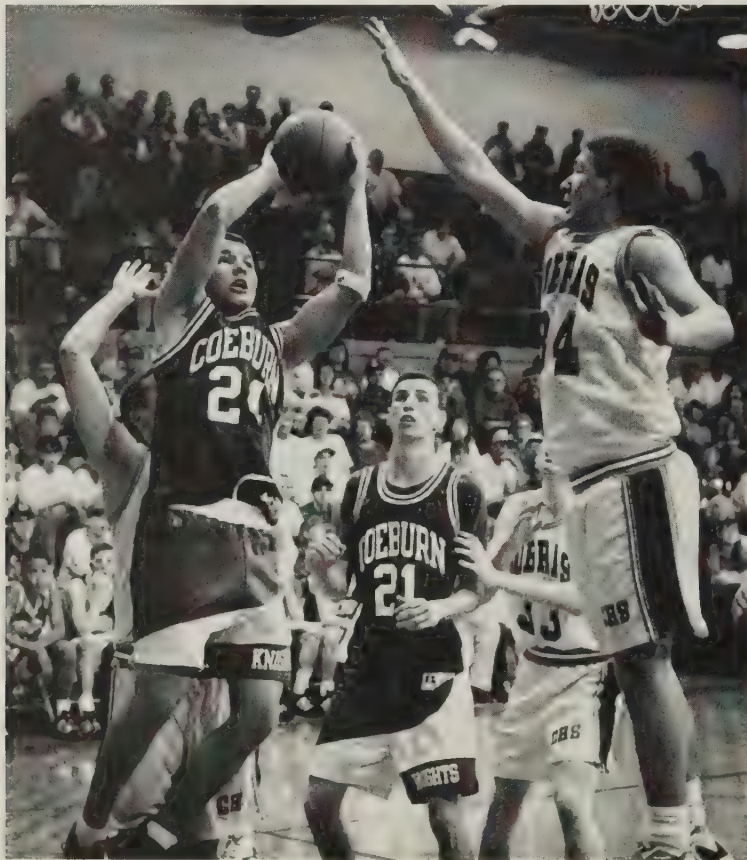
A highlight of each season occurred when a game was halted to recognize a player who reached a career goal: Brandi Collins and Jason Sartin each scored 1,000 career points in a game

during their senior year.

Both teams will be losing several seniors after these successful seasons. These seniors are: Candy Bates, Misti Sayers, Regan Puckett, Allison Davis, Amanda Luther, Brandi Collins, Jason Bryant, Ja-

son Sartin, Daniel Maine, and Brandon French. Each player has in some way been a special asset to the team and will be remembered as a part of a winning team.

-Regan Puckett



Going up strong for an easy bucket, Jon Hall exhibits the form for a perfect jump shot.

Using their height and strength to fight for a rebound, DeeDee McCarty and Brandi Stone share a piece of the ball not only with each other, but with a J.J. Kelly opponent.



EIGHTH GRADE GIRLS

Kneeling: Carrie Griffith and Katrell Reece.

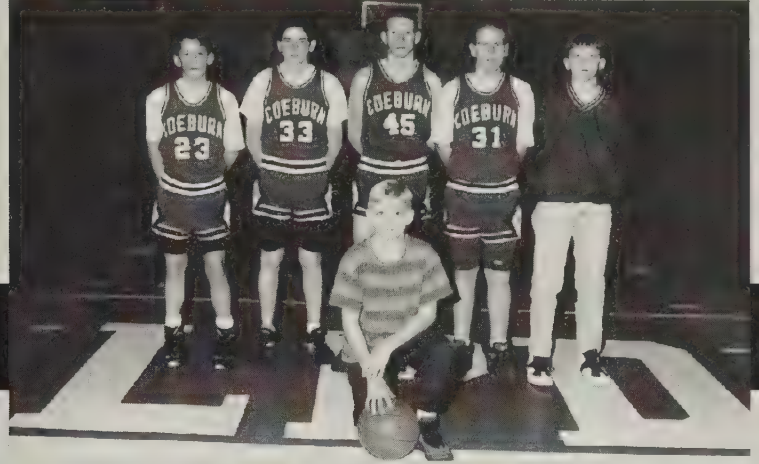
Standing: Sasha Turner, Ashley Ketrone, April Rose, Christine McConnell, Heather Collins, Leigh Ann Kern, and Angela Wright.



EIGHTH GRADE BOYS

Kneeling: Ryan Brooks

Standing: Jonathan Short, Stephen Williams, Greg French, Grant Adkins, and Brandon Hale.



Driving through the lane with unstoppable strength, Jason Sartin rises above the Council Cobra who attempts to guard him.

Stretching himself to the limit, Kenneth Collins fights for a rebound and seems to have the edge over his Raider opponent.

Watching the game intensely, both the team and Coach Adkins wait to see if the shot put up will add another two points to their score.

Blue Knights

Clinch

Hoops Title

It all came down to the last game of the season to determine who would take the title of LPD Champions. The Blue Knights were able to stand their ground and come up with a win over the Appalachia Bulldogs and the title of District Champs for the second year in a row.

As regular season champs, the boys were given a bye in the LPD tournament and guaranteed a trip to the regional

tournament. The team lost to the J.I. Burton Raiders in their first district tournament game and also suffered a loss to the Council Cobras in their first regional game.

Overall, the season was still a great success with another district title earned and the achievement of reaching the 1000 point mark by senior Jason Sartin.

-Regan Puckett



Floating out of bounds, Jason Ricketts tries to make a save by passing the ball to teammate Kenneth Collins.

SCOREBOARD

US	OPPONENT	THEM
75	St. Paul	54
54	Council	83
50	Whitesburg	70
89	Jenkins	44
85	Clintwood	68
79	J.I. Burton	84
68	Clintwood	48
66	Powell Valley	61
66	J.J. Kelly	61
78	Pound	68
71	Rye Cove	80
79	J.I. Burton	82
102	St. Paul	47
75	Appalachia	77
60	J.J. Kelly	54
89	Rye Cove	79
87	Clintwood	71
70	Powell Valley	62
63	Council	74
77	Pound	71
89	Appalachia	77
LPD Tournament		
67	Norton	78
Region Tournament		
58	Council	83

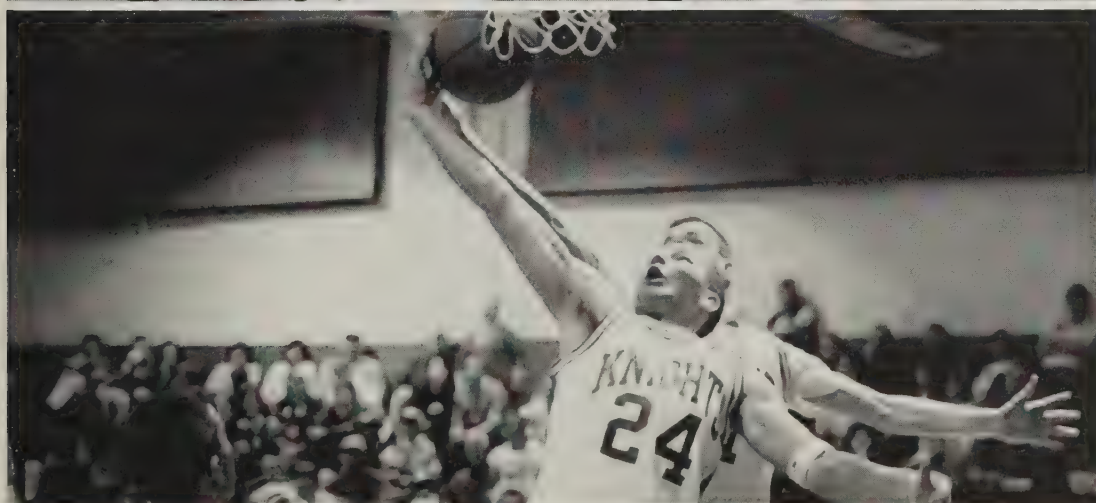


VARSITY Kneeling: Jayson Collins, Stephen Tickles, Mark Pannell, Michael Pannell, Garry Stanley, and Ryan Flannery. Standing: Jason Ricketts

Jon Hall, Pete Lawson, Jason Sartin, Kenneth Collins, Michael Blankenbecker, Brandon French, Jason Bryant, and Daniel Maine.

JUNIOR VARSITY Kneeling: Sam Steffy, Michael Cunningham, Tarrus Forney, Josh Adkins, and Kenny Davidson.

Standing: Harold Glover, Brad Ketron, Scott Still, Justin Funk, Carson Carnette, Mike Phillips, Roger Coomer, Chad Holbrook, and Wesley Couch.



Following the ball headed toward Jason Rickett in unison with their eyes, feet, and hands, Jason Bryant and Pete Lawson invent a new basketball stance.

Extending themselves for a rebound, Jon Hall and Kenneth Collins almost seem to be one person as they both try to capture the ball.



Matmen

Conqueror

Opponents

The mighty Knights have gone three complete seasons without losing a match to a Single A school. They haven't been beaten in the Lonesome Pine District for the last three seasons. In the last five years, the Knights have only been beaten three times by a Single A school. Will the victory end now that Coach Ward is retiring?

Sidney Flanary, who was a district and regional champion, was unable to display his ability at the State level after he broke

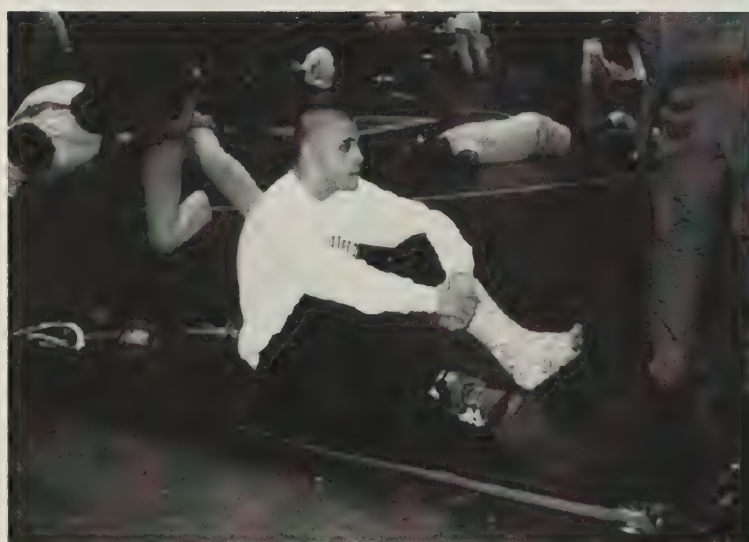
his leg and his ankle. Jason Sartin also placed 3rd in Regionals which qualified him for State but was also unable to participate at state due to an injury.

Senior Cole Adkins went to the State level and placed 3rd. Cole, a three-time District and Regional champion, ended his high school career with some good stats. Israel Hamilton also participated at State. He received 2nd after having to forfeit by a medical default.

-Jessi Stanley

SCOREBOARD

Ours	Opponent	Theirs
40	Abingdon	33
60	Patrick Henry	22
54	Powell Valley	29
33	J.J. Kelly	39
52	Patrick Henry	24
33	Marion	40
75	Garden	12
46	Lee	32
52	Holston	28
27	Powell Valley	42
27	Virginia High	43
57	Castlewood	16
38	Kelly	31



Not letting his broken leg get him down, Sidney Flanary attends the state wrestling match in Salem to encourage his fellow team mates.

The "Dominating Matmen" celebrate their win at State by hanging around as a group showing off their trophy.



Wrestling Team: Row 1: Michael Toohey, Josh Carter, Joel Baker, Joey Blanton, J. B. Tiller, Allen Brooks, and Cole Adkins. Row 2: Matthew John-

son, Joshua Marshall, Jon Todd Nixon, Tracy Johnson, Travis Meade, Bobby Love. Row 3: Eddie Johnson, James Carter, Jesse

Luther, Brandon Blankenbecler, Is-
rael Hamilton, Sidney Flanary,
Sam Adams, and Kevin Hamilton

Placing at State, Kevin "Beef" Ham-
ilton gladly accepts his hard-earned
award.



While his opponent struggles, Cole Adkins looks like he is not going to give in no matter what it takes.

This may look like a game of "Twister" but actually James Carter is trying to get his opponent off of his back.



The wrestling coach, Aubrey Ward, is retiring from coaching and teaching math.

He brought the sport of wrestling back to Coeburn High School in 1986 and since that time, he has made men out of boys. Under his coaching, many wrestlers achieved personal goals and received recognition at both the local and state levels.

Coach Ward will be sadly missed.



Setters

Digs

for Points

Having to rebuild a team could be a traumatic experience for ordinary coaches, but Coach Jeff Dotson and Coach Rosa Rhodes handled it with grace, dignity, and confidence.

Even after losing four

starters from the previous season and having only three returning players, the Lady Knights were still looking to have a competitive year. Using the strengths of the only three returning players, Misti Sayers, Brandi Stone, and

Amanda Luther, the girls' team had a good season overall.

"We had our ups and downs, and that depended on our serving. If our serving had been more consistent, the season may have turned out a little bet-

ter. The girls played hard and we placed second on the all-district team."

Coach Rhodes

— Raquel Mullins

VOLLEYBALL SCOREBOARD

OURS THEIRS

L Clintwood W

W J.J. Kelly L

W J.I. Burton L

L Pound W

W Appalachia L

L Powell Valley W

L Twin Springs W

W J.I. Burton L

L J.J. Kelly W

L Clintwood W

L Pound W

L Powell Valley W

W Appalachia L

Tournament

W Norton L

L Pound L

Hoping to coach a winning game against Wise, Coach Rhodes shows her girls some strategies in order to keep up the good work.



J.V. Team Kneeling: Brandi Hayes, Elisha Hill, Joyce Mefford, Rebecca Robbins, and Sarah Rifle. Standing: Allison Baker,

Megan Ledford, Amber Puckett, Amber Rowland, Beth Helbert, Kelli Whited, and Brooke Perry.

Varsity Kneeling: Amanda Luther, Misti Sayers, Brandi Stone, Allison Davis, Amanda Sayers. Standing: Brooke Dotson, Amber Collins,

Mindy Fields, Danielle Kern, Crystal Carnes, Tonya Large, Shannon Smith.



During practice, Crystal Ball and Brooke Dotson work on their serves to try to keep an edge on the opposing team.

Watching fellow teammates practice during pre-game warm-ups is junior Brandi Stone.



WINNING ATTITUDES

What do you enjoy most about volleyball?

"I really love all sports and I really enjoy playing volleyball. It's about having fun and friendships—but mostly it's about winning! The most exciting games we played were against Pound because they are just as competitive as we are."

-Brandi Stone



New Team

captures

First L.P.D. Title

Girls' softball had not been offered as a high school sport in the L.P.D. until this year. With this new opportunity, more than forty girls tried out, but only few made the team.

The softball team made its mark on the school and the district, not only by being the very first team, but by being the first team to win the L.P.D. regular season title and the L.P.D. tournament title. Winning

the L.P.D. sent them straight to the Region D tournament. In the semi-finals, they faced a previous Group A state champion, the St. Paul Deacons. If the team won this game, they would head for the state tournament, but the game was lost putting an end to a season with a 12-6 record.

-Raquel Mullins

SCOREBOARD

Ours	Opponent	Theirs
13	St. Paul	14
13	Powell Valley	16
21	Rye Cove	03
16	Pound	01
04	St. Paul	10
20	J.J. Kelly	04
03	Honaker	08
11	Appalachia	05
26	Powell Valley	03
14	Rye Cove	02
25	Twin Springs	06
11	Pound	07
13	J.J. Kelly	01
17	Appalachia	12
01	Honaker	21
	L.P.D. Tournament	
05	Appalachia	04
14	Pound	01
	Region D	
04	St. Paul	09



Concentrating hard on the catcher's mitt, pitcher Amber Collins prepares to show her stuff and prove that guys are not the only ones who can pitch fast.



After hitting the ball hard, Tamara Clark runs to first base and stretches her leg as far as possible to ensure her safety and raise her batting average.



Softball Team

Bottom: Krystal Crossen, Natasha Large, Amanda Plaster, DeeDee McCarty, Becky Mann, Shannon Smith, Tiffany Stallard
Top: Summer Meade, Tamara Clark, Jessica Dotson, Kelli Whit-ed, Amber Collins, Brooke Dotson, Chasity Clark, & Misti Sayers



COACHES' CORNER

"Considering that this was the first year CHS had a softball team, I am extremely pleased with how well we played together. One thing we can say that no one else can ever say is that we were the **FIRST** LPD softball champions—both regular season and tournament!"

-Coach Valerie Ward

"Dedication, teamwork, and having fun were some of our goals we set at the start of the season. Each girl has strived to attain these goals. No coach could be any prouder of a group of athletes than we are of these girls."

-Coach Jeff Dotson

Swinging away, Tiffany Stallard shows just how much muscle power she has by sending a line drive into left field.

Conversing on their strategy in the game, Coach Valerie Ward, Coach Jeff Collins, Coach Marcus Sartin, and Coach Jeff Dotson seem to me making a crucial decision that could determine the outcome of the game.

"It was great coaching the girls. It was like working for the National Enquirer because you get to know a little bit about a lot of things. Who ever said guys are wilder than girls was dead wrong. But all in all the season was a blast."

-Coach Marcus Sartin



serve

The tennis teams had to learn an important lesson: "Winning is not everything."

Both the girls and the boys had disappointing seasons. Though both teams worked hard and were full of determination, luck just was not on their side. The boys finished with a record of 0-12, while the girls did a bit better by finishing 5-7.

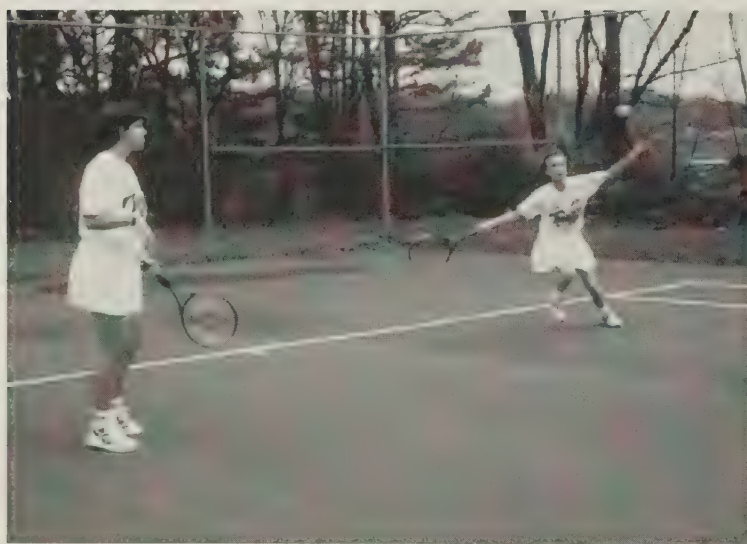
For seniors Brandi Collins, Shaun Renfro, and

Brad Salyers, it was their last chance to prove themselves to the LPD tennis circuit, and each tried to leave a "mark" by playing their very best in each match.

Despite their less than satisfactory records, both teams enjoyed their seasons and considered them as learning experiences.

-Raquel Mullins

Playing as the number one seed is an honor Brandi Collins does not take lightly, and she comments about her biggest challenge: "So many people get intimidated when they play J.J. Kelly because they have won state five years in a row. But it does not intimidate me. It makes me try that much harder. I guess it really paid off when I beat Dera Leigh."



During a doubles match, sixth seed Kristy Williams watches in awe as her partner, fifth seed Alicia Mefford, goes after the ball to score a point that would put them ahead in the match.

Practicing his serve before a match, second seed Brad Salyers readies himself for a long, hard match with his opponent, whom he hopes to beat to improve the team's record.



Girls' Tennis Team

Nicole Stallard, Crystal Ball,

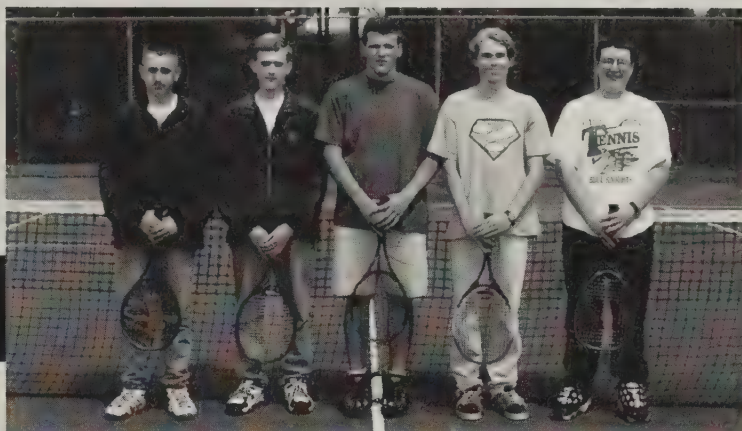
Sitting: Kristy Williams, Brandi Collins, Brooke Perry, Standing:

Beth Helbert, Tracie Burke, Alicia Mefford, Suzy Bevins

Boys' Tennis Team

Brad Salyers, Wesley Couch, Justin Funk, Scott Still, Tim Hall

Not pictured- Senior Shaun Renfro



GIRLS' SCOREBOARD

Ours	Opponent	Theirs
0	Wise	9
0	Wise	9
9	Appy.	0
9	Appy.	0
1	Norton	8
1	Norton	8
2	Clintwd.	7
1	Clintwd.	8
5	Pound	4
4	Pound	5
9	P.V.	0
8	P.V.	1

BOYS' SCOREBOARD

Ours	Opponent	Theirs
0	Wise	9
0	Wise	9
1	Appy.	8
0	Appy.	9
0	Norton	9
0	Norton	9
3	Clintwd.	6
0	Clintwd.	9
0	Pound	9
1	Pound	8
2	P.V.	7
2	P.V.	7



As a ball comes flying at her face, number two seed Suzy Bevins prepares to send an unhittable forehand across the net while her partner, Crystal Ball, watches intently.

Senior Shawn Renfro captivates the crowd while returning a serve from a Clintwood opponent.



Sprint

To Glory

District Meet

Jason Bryant: 2nd in the 100m, 2nd in the 200m, 1st in the 400m

Bryan Bush: 1st in the mile, 1st in the 2 mile

Travis Hall: 2nd in the 2 mile

Sam Sharpe: 1st in the 800m, 2nd in the mile

Doug Pettit: 2nd in discus, 2nd in shot put

Kevin Hamilton: 4th in shot put

Jason Odle: 6th in the 300m hurdles

Carson Carnette: 4th in the high jump

Pete Lawson: 6th in the high jump

Jason Sizemore: 6th in the 110m hurdles, 5th in the triple jump

Jonathan Turner: 6th in the mile

Brian Holbrooks, Stephen Tickles, Ryan Flanary, Jason Sizemore: 2nd in the 4x400m relay

Regan Puckett: 4th in the 100m, 5th in the 200m

Amber Puckett: 4th in the 100m hurdles, 3rd in the 300m hurdles

Allison Davis: 5th in the 2 mile

Amanda Rasnake: 2nd in the 800m, 2nd in the mile

Amanda Sayers: 3rd in the 800m, 6th in the

400m

Tracey Johnson: 6th in the 300m hurdles, 2nd in the high jump

Amanda Luther: 4th in the discus

Jenny Funk: 5th in the shot put

Regan Puckett, Amber Puckett, Joyce Mefford, Sarah Robbins: 4th in the 4x100m relay

Allison Davis, Crystal Addington, Amanda Sayers, Amanda Rasnake: 2nd in the 4x400m relay

Regional Meet

Jason Bryant: 4th in the 200m, 1st in the 400m

Bryan Bush: 1st in the mile, 6th in the 2 mile

Travis Hall: 5th in the 2 mile

Sam Sharpe: 3rd in the mile, 5th in the 800m

Doug Pettit: 5th in shot

Jon Carico: 4th in discus

Carson Carnette: 4th in the high jump

Brian Holbrooks, Stephen Tickles, Ryan Flanary, Jason Sizemore: 3rd in the 4x400m relay

State Meet

Jason Bryant: 7th in the 400m



Displaying the perfect form for participating in the shot put, Kevin Hamilton throws well enough to earn a ribbon in his event.

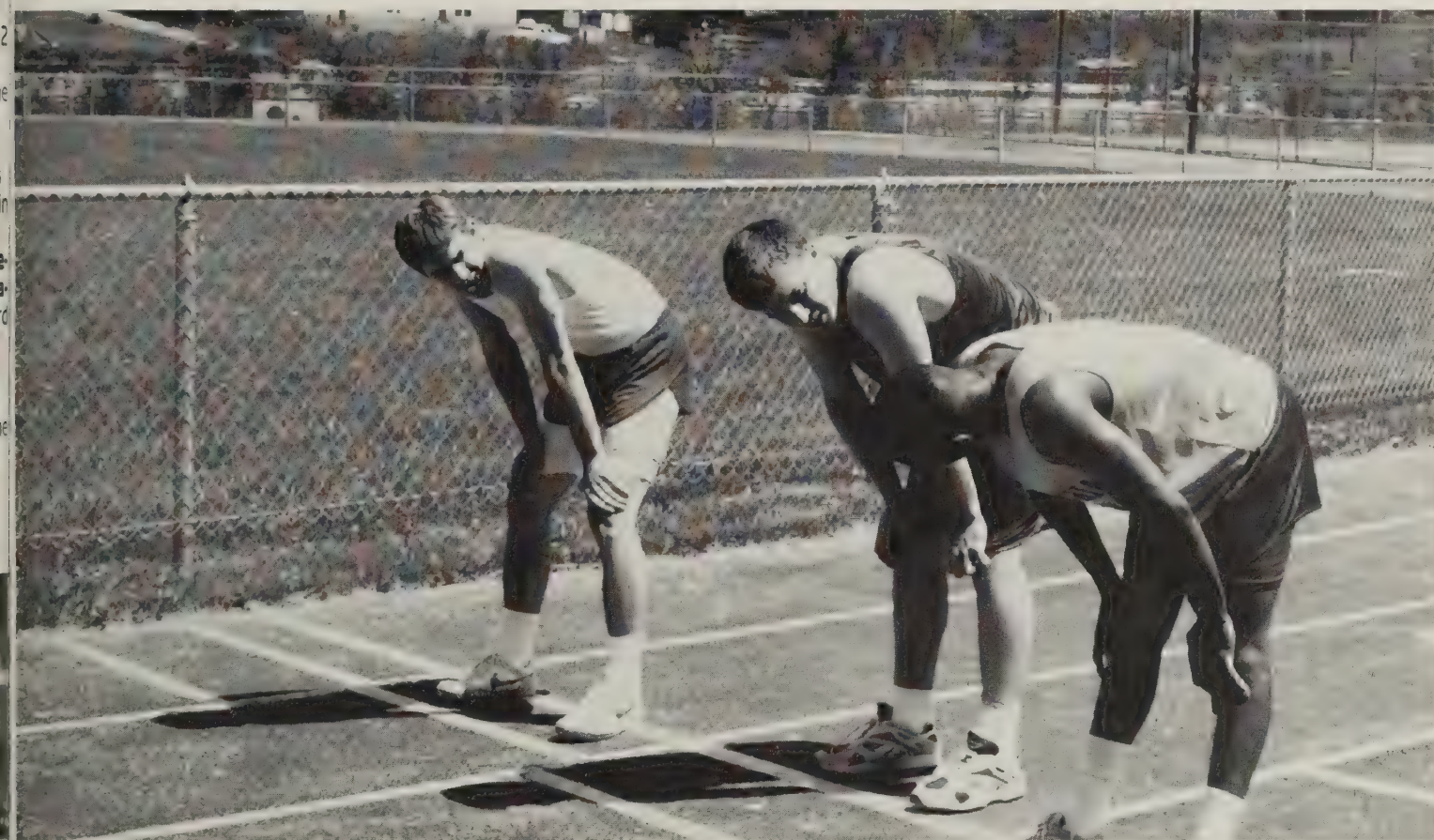


Setting the winning pace at districts, Sam Sharpe and Bryan Bush stay together at the front of the pack to take 1st and 2nd places in the mile.

BOYS Front: Coach Thomas, C.D. Greear, Michael McConnell, Tarrus Forney, Carson Carnette, Clinton Bond, Ryan Flanary, Jason Stanley, Michael Toohey, Matthew Couch, Antoine Moore, Stephen Tickles. Back: Bryan Bush, Doug Pettit, Kevin Hamilton, Thomas Lester, Jon Carico, Jason Sizemore, Brian Holbrooks, Travis Hall.



GIRLS Front: Tishia Boggs, Nicole Flanary, Tracey Johnson, Jessica Bates, Shelly Barlow, Sarah Peters, and Coach Cox. Back: Jenny Funk, Amber Puckett, Allison Davis, Regan Puckett, Crystal Ad-dington, Amanda Sayers, Sharma Smith, Amanda Rasnake, and Coach Cox. Back: Jenny Funk, Gabrielle Stinson, Alicia Lester.



Getting the 4x100 relay off to a good start, Regan Puckett strides out of her blocks with an edge over her opponents.

Taking a minute to rest at the finish line after winning his event, Jason Bryant tries to comfort the opponents who were left in his dust.



Steps

Ahead

Hard work, determination, and dedication resulted in both improvements and victories for the boys' and girls' cross country teams, giving new definition to the old phrase, "Over the river and through the woods."

In LPD competition held at Camp Bethel in Wise, the girls' team received fourth place and the boys' team received second. In Region D competition, the boys' team captured a third place win, qualifying

them for the state competition at Warington while Amanda Rasnake and Hjordis Hennig were the only girls who qualified for state.

Hjordis Hennig placed 15th at state competition and received the recognition of being named to the All-State team. The boys' team also placed thirteenth at the State VHSL Cross Country Competition.

-Beth French

Cross Country Highlights

All-District

Hjordis Hennig
Amanda Rasnake
Bryan Bush

All-Region

Hjordis Hennig
Amanda Rasnake
Bryan Bush
Sam Sharpe

All-State

Hjordis Hennig



In order to avoid injury before running at the LPD competition, Chad Sharpe and Sam Sharpe stretch their muscles but remain in their regular street clothes to mislead the opposing teams.

After Region D competition, Travis Hall, Sam Sharpe, Jason Stanley, Bryan Bush, Chad Sharpe, and J.R. Stapleton force Amanda Rasnake to bow at their feet so they can bask in their moment of glory.



The 1995-96 Cross Country Team Row One: Matthew Couch, Bryan Bush, Jason Stanley Row Two: Leslie Richardson, Amanda

Rasnake, Coach Valerie Cox, Hjordis Hennig, Allison Davis, Tamara Clark

As senior Bryan Bush sprints towards the finish line, Mrs. Cox screams words of encourage-

ment. Her cheers apparently helped, since Bryan placed **first** in Region D.



German exchange student Hjordis Hennig races to the finish line, placing first in Region D and proving perseverance pays off.

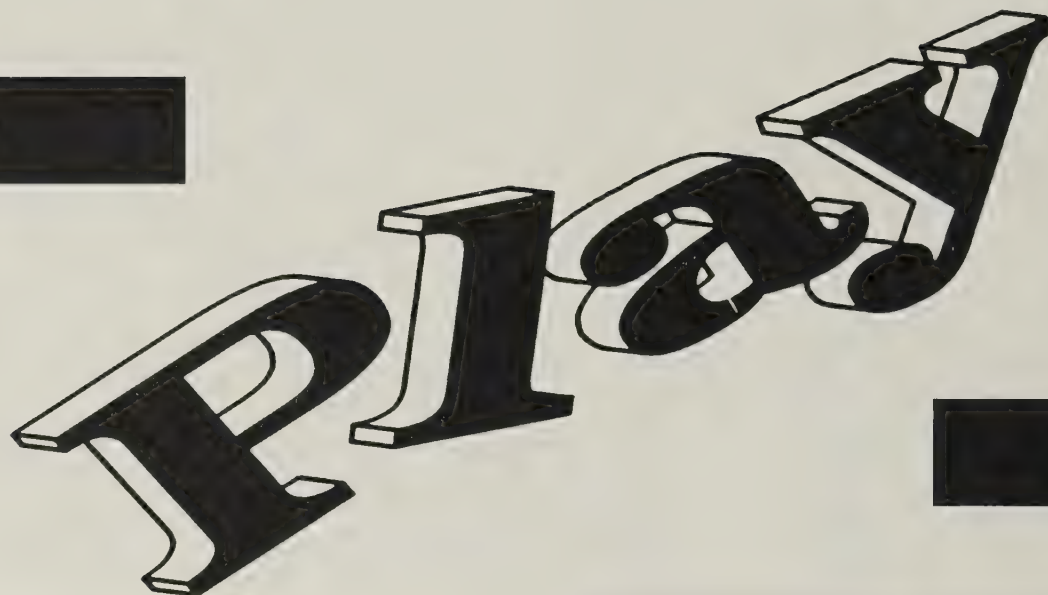
Keeping her pace and stride, Amanda Rasnake stays one step ahead of the competition at Camp Bethel.



"My favorite moment of the season was getting 15th at state. But the best was when they had the district meet; I finished second and a girl from Appalachia, (Tabitha Hibbits), beat me. I redeemed myself at the Region D meet and beat her and beat her again at state. To next year's runners: never give up and always believe in yourself."

-Hjordis Hennig

Boys

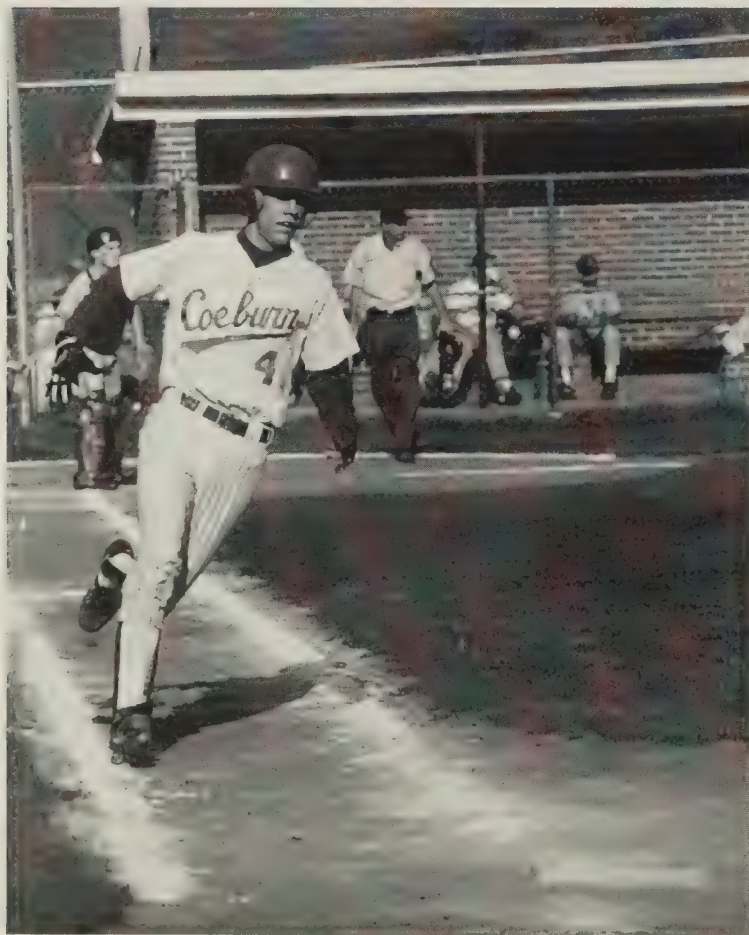


The Field

VARSITY BASEBALL

TEAM: Steve Hubbard, Head Coach; Michael Blankenbecker, Jason Sartin, Jason Ricketts, Jon Hall, Israel Hamilton, Michael Pannell, Mark Pannell, Joey Ringley, Kenneth Collins, Johnny

Kennedy, Shannon Owens, Brandon Blankenbecker, Mike Phillips, Harold Glover, Brandon Addington, Beau Boggs, Lonnie Moore, Chad Hampton, Daniel Maine, and Jason Craiger. (Picture not available)



After hitting a double in an important game, Michael Blankenbecker approaches first base with

confidence, knowing he can reach second.

SCOREBOARD

OURS	OPPONENT	THEIRS
01	Powell Valley	8
10	Rye Cove	1
01	Lee High	2
05	J.J. Kelly	19
12	Clintwood	0
11	Pound	0
11	Appalachia	0
03	Powell Valley	2
01	Abingdon	3
08	Haysi	7
12	Pound	16
11	Honaker	1
08	J.J. Kelly	2
04	Norton	3
12	Twin Springs	2
03	Clintwood	0
01	Norton	0
13	Appalachia	3

DISTRICT TOURNAMENT

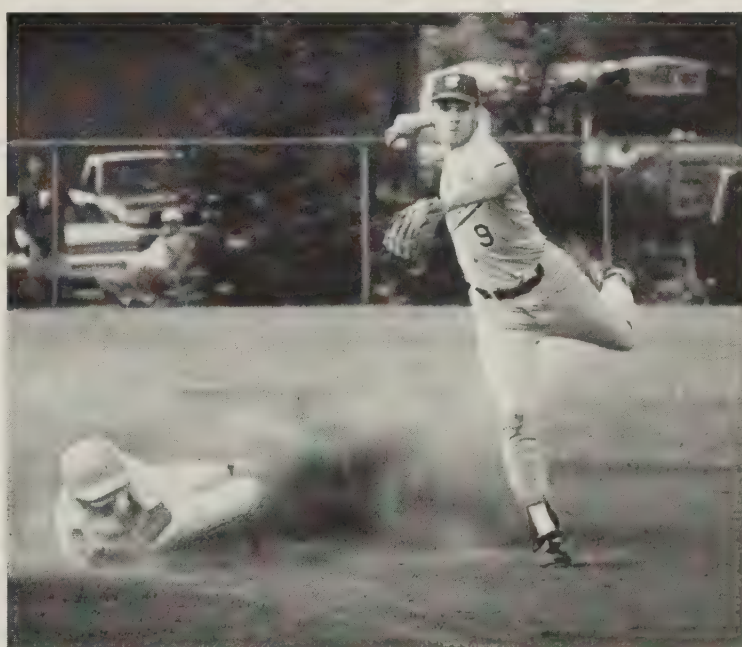
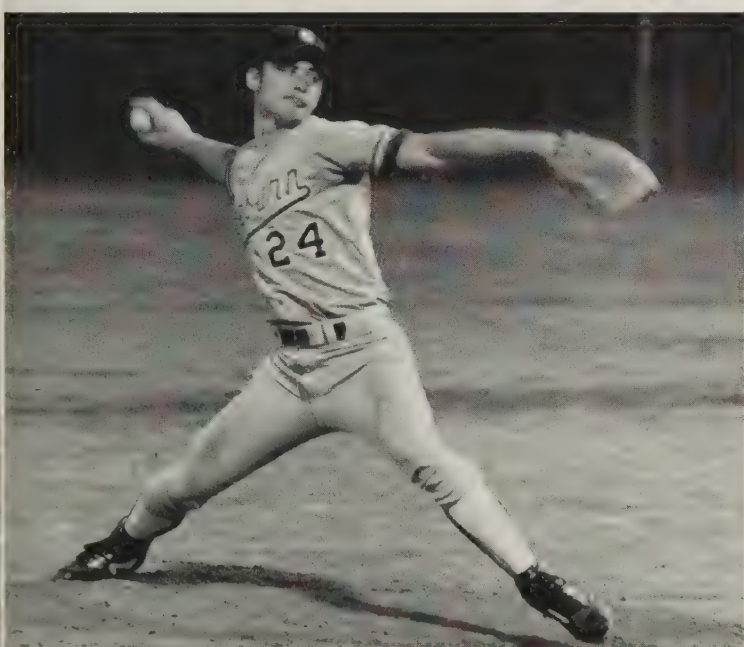
10	Appalachia	0
09	Pound	1
01	Powell Valley	4

REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

01	Honaker	7
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Being both alert and sharp on his toes, junior Jon Hall shows he has what it takes as he demonstrates his exceptional skills and makes the easy play at second.



Hurling a fastball by a Powell Valley player, Jason Sartin puts another one in the book.

While turning a double play against Powell Valley, Michael Pannell makes the off-

balanced throw to first.



Athletes

Relive

Moments of Glory

The athletic department had a successful year. The student athletes and the coaches put forth great effort when

met with challenges, and they accomplished most of their goals.

The year was especially memorable for female ath-

letes as they experienced some "firsts." The girls' basketball team was for the first time the LPD tournament winners, and the

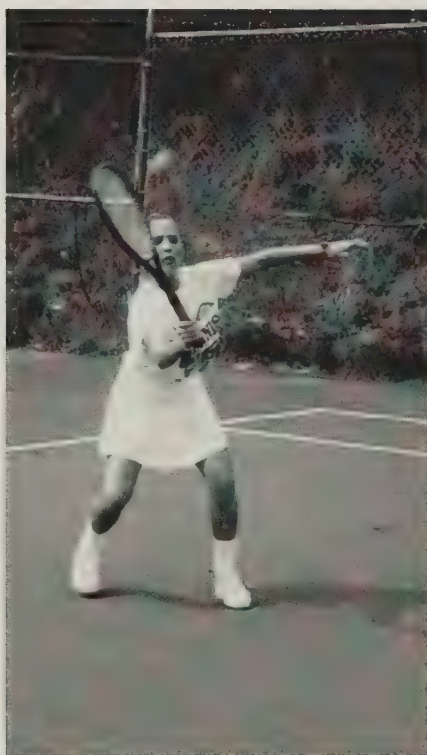
girls' softball team won the LPD regular season and also became LPD tournament champs.

Rebecca Owens



At a home softball game, Tiffany Stallard demonstrates perfect form as she swings to earn a base hit and increase her batting average.

At tennis practice, Nicole Stallard tries to improve her swing to try and beat her opponents at the next match.





After winning a game against Powell Valley, the baseball team celebrates with a smiling Coach Harris.

At a cross-country meet, exchange student Hjordis Hennig leads the runners as she pushes herself toward the finish line to win.



At a much anticipated game, senior receiver Jason Sartin intercepts a long pass at one of his last high school football games in order to score a touchdown for his team.



During a basketball game, point guard Jason Bryant breaks away from the rest of the pack and goes up for two.

At a track meet, senior Doug Pettit strives to throw the shot put further than his opponent.

SPORTS' AWARDS

Football:

All District 1st Team:

Jason Sartin
Jason Bryant
Israel Hamilton

All District 2nd Team:

Joey Ringley
Anthony Boone
Johnny Kennedy

All Regional 1st Team:

Jason Sartin
Jason Bryant
Jon Hall

All Regional 2nd Team:

Israel Hamilton

All State 1st Team:

Jason Sartin

Most Valuable Player:

Jason Sartin

Best Offense:

Jon Hall
Jason Bryant

Best Defense:

Johnny Kennedy

Best Blocker:

Israel Hamilton

110%:

Nathan Stanley

Special Teams:

Bobby Love

Perry Owens

Girls Basketball:

MVP:

Candy Bates
Brandi Collins
Brandi Stone

Rebounder:

Candy Bates
Brandi Stone

Best Defense:

Misti Sayers

Free Throw:

Brandi Collins

All LPD:

Candy Bates
Brandi Collins
Brandi Stone
Delia McCarty

All Region:

Brandi Collins

6th Man Award

Delia McCarty

Golf:

Fairways & Greens:

Tim Hall

Best Swing:

Brian McConnell

MVP:

Brian Williams

Most Improved:

Brad Salyers
Shaun Renfro

All LPD:

Brian Williams
Brad Salyers

Cross Country:

Most Improved:

Allison Davis
Jason Stanley

Most Valuable Male:

Bryan Bush

Most Valuable Female:

Hjordis Hennig

Most Dedicated:

Chad Sharpe
Sam Sharpe

Boys Basketball:

MVP:

Jason Sartin

Free Throw:

Kenneth Collins

Best Defense:

Brandon French
Jason Bryant

Rebounder:

Jason Sartin

Most Improved:

Jason Ricketts

All District:

Jason Sartin
Jon Hall

All Region:

Jason Sartin

All State:

Jason Sartin

Athletes in the Spotlight

The annual sports' banquet was held on June 6, 1996, at the Flatwoods Picnic Area. A different approach was taken in order to give out the awards. All fall and spring sports' athletes attended the banquet at the same time.

Many of the athletes received MVP awards, Best Defense, Best Offense, Rebounder, and All LPD.

Others were recognized by receiving 110%, Sportsmanship Awards, and Most Improved.

Many sports made their mark during the 1995-1996 school year. The girls' basketball team won the LPD Tournament and played in Regions. The boys' basketball team repeated their LPD District Championship and also played in Regions. The

girls' softball team was the first ever District Champions in the newly formed LPD sport.

Two individuals who made their marks in basketball were Jason Sartin and Brandi Collins. Both scored over 1000 points during their high school careers.

-Deidra Osborne



An all-around athlete, Jason Bryant has participated in football, basketball, and track. He competed at the state track meet where he placed 7th in the 400m, and was named to the All-District and All-Regional teams in football.

Here he proves himself to be unstoppable against the St. Paul Deacons early in the football season.

While her teammates watch, Misti Sayers attempts to score a

homerun. The girls' softball team were LPD District Champions and won the LPD Tournament.



An outstanding athlete in cross country and track, Bryan Bush has received numerous awards recognizing his talent throughout his high school years.

During his high school athlete career, Jason Sartin has excelled in football, basketball, and baseball. He was named to the All-District, All-Regional, and All-State teams in football. Here he performs a jumpshot and hopes to score two more points for the Knights.



Wrestling
All District:
Cole Adkins
Sidney Flanary
Israel Hamilton
All Region:
Israel Hamilton
Sidney Flanary
Cole Adkins

Volleyball:
110%:
Danielle Kern
Brooke Dotson
Hitter:
Brandi Stone
Setter:
Misti Sayers
MVP:
Brandi Stone
All District:
Misti Sayers
Brandi Stone
All Region:
Brandi Stone

Girls' Tennis:
Most Improved:
Tracie Burke
MVP:
Brandi Collins

Boys' Tennis:
Most Improved:
Tim Hall

Softball:
Defensive:
Tamara Clark
Brooke Dotson
Pitching:
Amber Collins
Summer Meade
Most Improved:
Misti Sayers
Offensive:
Tiffany Stallard
Amber Collins
Brooke Dotson
All District:
Brooke Dotson
Kelli Whited
Tiffany Stallard
Amber Collins
Summer Meade
Tamara Clark

Baseball:
Defensive:
Jason Ricketts
Hitting:
Jason Ricketts
Pitching:
Jason Sartin
Michael Blankenbecler
Johnny Kennedy
All District:
Israel Hamilton
Michael Blankenbecler
Jason Ricketts
Jason Sartin

Girls' Track:
110%:
Amanda Sayers
Most Dedicated:
Joyce Mefford
Amber Puckett
Leadership:
Allison Davis
Most Valuable Field Event:
Tracy Johnson
Most Valuable Sprinter:
Regan Puckett
Most Valuable Distance:
Amanda Rasnake

Boys' Track:
Most Improved:
Jonathan Turner
110%:
Jason Sizemore
Most Valuable Jumper:
Carson Carnette
Most Valuable Thrower:
Doug Pettit
Most Valuable Runner:
Jason Bryant
Bryan Bush
All District:
Jason Bryant
Bryan Bush
Sam Sharpe
All Region:
Bryan Bush
Jason Bryant

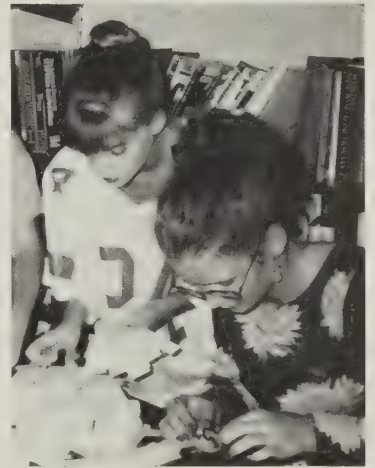


Enjoying their stay in Canada, French Club members Courtney Gibson, Scott Still, Tim Boone, Beth French, Missy Willis, and Justin Mills along with Ms Ward pose in front of the Notre Dame Basilica in Montreal before continuing with the day's tour of the city.

Groups

What do clubs do for Blue Knights? Groups provide food, decorations, and entertainment at school functions, take initiative to sponsor dances and programs, perform services for the school and community, compete with others applying their techniques and skills, while keeping students interested and motivated in school.

Clubs sparked a flame in Blue Knights that kept them busy throughout the year. The Spanish and French ClubS not only participated in the usual language club events like Mardi Gras and War Games, but explored different cultures up close by traveling to Cancun, Mexico, and Quebec, Canada. Odyssey of the Mind placed second in regional competition with their self-built car and underwater creations. The phrase "zero to hero" applied to PACE as they went from no wins last year to winning half of their matches this year. Competitions kept the band busy, while Ecology received a National Certificate of Merit from Keep America Beautiful. National Junior Honor Society members enjoyed trips to the Hands-on Museum and the Biltmore House. Forensics participants traveled all the way to the VHSL State Competition in five different categories and took the Region D Runner-up title. The Homecoming half-time ceremony along with the Senior Tea and Sweetheart Dance would not have taken place without the help of the SCA and Knightettes. Co-Ed-Hi-Y reached out into the community to warm hearts several times by visiting nursing homes. Future Homemakers of America learned family life skills by taking care of egg babies and marching down the aisle in mock weddings. Tabletop bookshelves became a reality for the Library Club after selling posters, while members of DECA and FBLA applied their skills in competition to triumph with first place wins and state and national appearances.



Dedicated senior Knightettes Stephanie Lane and Jennifer Jonsrud work tirelessly in Mrs. Carico's office during Homecoming to staple and count spirit links. Their honesty helped ensure the senior win over the sophomores at the Homecoming pep-rally.

Groups provided extracurricular activities that were both fun and rewarding, while also teaching club members responsibility and work ethics. With a variety of clubs and activities from which to choose, Knights, as individuals or as a group, definitely had the opportunity to *make their mark*.

-Beth French

Making Sounds

In order to make their mark, the band practiced everyday after school for hours. In early October, they traveled to Jonesborough, TN, where they placed Division II in the Davy Crockett Band Festival.

The group also competed in the Lonesome Pine Band Festival in Wise. Percussion took 1st place and

flags, marching, music, and maneuvering all placed second. The drum major took third. The overall award was second place.

The band performed in the McChesney Festival where they brought back Division I in band, flags, and drum major.

Rebecca Owens

PACE BAND

Kneeling: Brandon Meade, Ashley Mathieson, Priscilla Craiger, and Ashley Hall.

Standing: Robert Robbins, Benj Cantrell, Jonathan Kennedy, Gary Meade, Matthew Kiser, and Travis Meade.



Junior Jayson Collins beats on the drums at a pep rally to help his class take the spirit stick from the seniors.

The Blue Knight Marching Band practices to make Coeburn proud at the Friday night football games.





Winning Honors

Sitting: Ashley Mathieson and Ashley Hall (**Junior All-District**). Standing: Benji Cantrell (**Junior All-District**), Jonathan Kennedy, and Matthew Kiser (**Morehead State University Competition**).



BAND

Row one: Adam Collins, and Matthew Phillips.
 Row two: Amanda Pennington, Drum Major.
 Row three: Autumn Mutter, Steffan Brown, Margaret Ritchie, Tiffany Bare, Brandy Gibson, Matthew Yates, Ashley Mathieson, Heather Hall, and Crystal Clark, Flag Captain.
 Row four: Samantha Wright, Michael Jessee, Lori McElrath, Daniel Farmer, Chris Robbins, Rachel Williams, and Jessica Broyles, Flag Co-Captain.
 Row five: Crystal Ventro, Robert Robbins III, Wesley Couch, Anthony Proulex, Jon Kennedy, Kenny Davidson, and Crystal Laney.
 Row six: Stacie Bond, Dixie Johnson,

Lara Bias, Angela Marshall, Gary Meade, and Jessica Chaney.

Row seven: Amanda Gouge, Matthew Kiser, Benji Cantrell, Travis Meade, Derek Greear, David Stout, and Cristina Overbay.

Row eight: Debbie Overbay, Melody Bryant, Jonathan Yates, Jayson Collins, Michael Kennedy, Jessica Dotson, Jonathan Turner, Caleb Fleming, Tiffany Adams, and Rebecca Wright.

Row eight: Michael Phillips, Band Director.

Not Pictured: Brandon Meade and Sara Dishner.

Reaching Out

SCA members and elected homeroom representatives provided the school with numerous activities. They worked on the Homecoming events which included the dance and the half-time ceremony. SCA also sponsored the Senior Tea and helped to promote the Prom Promise.

Co-Ed-Hi-Y members vis-

ited a nursing home several times. Members also sold candy as their annual fundraiser. Money made from the club's fundraiser helped to purchase flowers and shrubs for the front of the middle school gym.

The Library Club sold posters to buy two table-top bookshelves.

Library Officers: Suzy Bevins, President; Alicia Lester, V.P.; Sarah Peters, Sec.; Nathaniel Robinette, Treas.; Sponsor, Ms. Rasnake.

Members: S. Bevins, A. Lester, Peters, N. Robinette, J. Worle, C. Dykes, L. Dykes, L. Melius, Lane, J. Collins, M. Gibson.



SCA President Brandi Collins works on the Homecoming posters for the grade level representatives.

SCA members help in preparing the Homecoming dance and half-time ceremony.





Student Council Officers: Missy Willis, Vice-President; Brandi Collins, President; Brian McConnell, Secretary.



Co-Ed-Hi-Y Officers: Suzy Bevens, President; Crystal Ball, Vice-President; Alicia Mefford, Secretary/Treasurer; Shannon Smith, Chaplain.
Members: Loretha Ward, Audrey Reedy, Kristy Williams, Joyce Mefford, Courtney Gibson, Mar-

garet Perry, Brandi Wells, Jessica Bryant, Erin Worley, Katrell Reece, Jennifer Harvey, Raquel Mullins, Crystal Ventro, Heather Collins, Jennifer Redden, Melissa Gibson, Whitney Wells, Tonya Large, Reece Mullins, Megan Ledford.

Co-Ed-Hi-Y officers Crystal Ball and Suzy Bevens accept the Beautification Award from the Town of Coeburn given by Mrs. Lyons. The award was given because of the club's work in planting flowers and shrubs in front of the school.

Helping Hands

Helping was a word in every Knightette's vocabulary. The Knightettes is an elite, all-female club which lends a hand to both the school and the community.

Some of the projects in which the Knightettes participated were selling spirit links during Homecoming, visiting the elderly, becoming slaves of students

for a day, producing an original bulletin board for the School Board Office, and sponsoring the Sweet-heart Dance.

The club's money-making efforts contributed to various school projects and a college scholarship for a senior Knightette member.

-Raquel Mullins

After stuffing themselves with pizza at the annual Knightette Christmas party being held at Tiffany Kyle's home, Alicia Mefford, Crystal Ball, Suzy Bevins,

Courtney Gibson, and Missy Willis sit around enjoying each other's company.



Happy to be voted into Knightettes, Tiffany Kyle and Michelle Hall dress up as grannies to avoid a twenty-dollar initiation fee.

After a fulfilling meal, Mrs. Carico, sponsor, enjoys sitting around talking to Vandella Stanley, Regan Puckett, Sarah Robbins, Tishia Boggs, Laura Melius, and Tiffany Kyle about future Knightette projects.





New Knightettes

Row one: Regan Puckett, Deidra Osborne, Raquel Mullins
Row two: Michelle Hall, Jackie French, Courtney Gibson, Tiffany Kyle



Knightettes President, Sarah Robbins; V.P., Missy Willis; Sec., Laura Melius; Treas., Alicia Mefford; Sgts. of Arm, Candy Bates, Crystal Ball, and Suzy Bevins. Tishia Boggs, Stephanie Lane, Brandi Collins, Allison Davis, Amanda Lawson, Vandella Stanley, Melissa Farmer, Regan Puckett, Jessi Stan-

ley, Jackie French, Amanda Rasnake, Deidra Osborne, Raquel Mullins, Amy Kus, Courtney Gibson, Michelle Hall, Tiffany Kyle, Elisha Hill, Whitney Wells, Heather Horne, Megan Ledford, Alicia Lester, and Amber Rowland



Acquiring Skills

Future Homemakers of America is a club that not only offered the chance to learn about cooking and cleaning, but also helped students to experience hands-on activities that prepared them for a productive future in caring for themselves and others.

Blue Knights prepared savory dishes of food to devour, pricked themselves several times learning to sew, participated in mock weddings, and considerately cared for egg babies to learn day-to-day skills they need both now and in years to come.

-Beth French

FHA representatives are Rodney Hayes, Matthew Yates, Heather Jones, Mrs. Opal Salyers, Tiffany Adams, Crystal Clark and Jessie Rhea.

For a tasty Baked Alaska, Crystal Clark and Beth French try to delicately mix sugar with egg white for a perfect meringue.



Knowing he will not be graced with his former girlfriend's presence at future events, Jason Bryant appreciates a tender moment with Misti Sayers at their mock

wedding reception in Family Management. Here, they prepare to slice the cake to serve to their wedding guests.





FHA Members

T. Adams, C. Addington, Ch. Adkins, C. Adkins, L. Adkins, R. Alexander, S. Baber, A. Bartley, M. Begey, B. Bland, J. Branham, B. Blankenbecler, M. Blankenbecler, J. Bryant, B. Bush, C. Clark, B. Collins, J.D. Collins, J.M. Collins, Jay. Collins, F. Counts, A. Craiger, M. Dellinger, B. Fannon, M. Fields, S. Flannary, T. Fogarty, B. French, Br. French, A. Gray, E. Greear, K. Hall, D. Hamilton, J. Hamm, C. Hampton, C. Hawkins, M. Hayes, R. Hayes, H. Hennig, A. Horton, S. Howard, J. Hurley, T. Hutchinson, K. Jenkins, J. Jessee, G. Johnson, H. Jones, L. Jones, J. Kennedy, J. Kilgore, J. Large, A. Lawson, C. Lawson, P. Lawson, L. Love, J. Luther, D. McCarthy, J. Mickles, J. Mills, A. Mullins, S. Mullins, J. Nixon, J. Odle, M. Osbourne, D. Overbay, S. Owens, J. Page, E. Pickett, J. Porter, T. Potter, C. Ratliff, N. Ratliff, S. Renfro, J. Rhea, C. Rose, M. Rose, C. Sanders, M. Sargent, M. Sayers, N. Sexton, S. Sheets, E. Sluss, M. Smith, G. Stanley, J. Stanley, N. Stanley, T. Stanley, S. Still, S. Trapp, A. Turner, C. Turner, D. Winebarger, J. Worley, M. Yates



Eighth graders Matthew Yates, Jason Branham, J.P. Paige, Nicole Ratliff, Eric Sluss, Charity Adkins, Travis Stanley, Lois Adkins, Ashley Horton, Anthony Gray, and Donnie Hamilton all eagerly wait for their piece of Baked Alaska to be sliced.

"By the pricking of my thumbs," takes on a new meaning for Dee Dee McCarty, Jessica Odle and Charles Rose who attempt to avoid any mishaps with their sewing needles as they sew practice patterns.



Using Skills

DECA provided students with the opportunity to gain responsibility and learn the value of making a dollar.

Members from DECA who placed at competition were Amanda Lawson, 1st place in Retail Merchandising, ML; Katie Damron, 2nd in General Marketing, ML; Chastidy Baber, 3rd in General Marketing, AL.

Members from FBLA who placed at the Spring

Leadership Conderence were Tisha Boggs, 1st place in Acct.II; Tim Johnson, 1st in Business Math; Jessica Stallard, 1st in Business Procedures; Melissa Gibson, 2nd in Word Processing; Sarah Robbins, 3rd in Economics; Elizabeth Evans, 3rd in Job Interview; and Lakisha Dykes, 3rd in Public Speaking.

-Deidra Osborne

Office Workers: Angela Vance, Brandy Fannon, Barbara Ellis. Row Two: Crystal Jenkins, Erin Worley, Rebecca Hensley, Regina Meade. Row Three: Staci

Stidham, Autumn Mutter, Jenni Funk, Jamie Bell, Jennifer Harvey, Kelli Whited, Amanda Gouge.



DECA Officers: Row One: Jenni Funk Secretary; Travis Hall Vice President; Crystal Clark Reporter. Row Two: Margaret Perry District Vice President; Amanda Lawson President.

Members: C. Babar, E. Gross, T. Hall, A. Hoback, J. Hurley, J. Johnson A. Lawson, A. Luther, D. Mullins, E. Overbay, M. Perry, S. Renfro, C. Sharpe, S. Sharpe, C. Turner, C. Adkins, J. Baker, C. Bright, C. Clark, K. Damron, M.

Fugate, J. Funk, J. Funk, G. Johnson, J.R. Kilgore, L. McReynolds, A. Mullins, J. Porter, L. Richardson, C. Rose, V. Stanley, C. Salyers, M. Begey, J. Chaney, J. Collins, R. Hayes, B. Holbrook, J. Kennedy, C. Odle, M. Pannel, E. Pickett, M. Plaster, M. Roberts, J. Sartin, N. Sexton, J. Short, N. Stanely, S. Trapp, J. Turner, A. Winebarger.





The Knight Gallery is a DECA project that sells drinks and snacks to Blue Knights after school. Here Margaret Perry and Jenni Funk hand a satisfied customer her change.



FBLA Officers: Candy Bates President, Vandella Stanley Vice President, Elizabeth Evans Secretary, Crystal Jenkins Reporter. Members: T. Adams, B. Addington, E. Akers, J. Amburgey, B. Anderson, C. Baber, S. Barlow, J. Bates, C. Bates, S. Bond, E. Bowman, M. Bryant, J. Buchanan, T. Burke, B. Caldwell, S. Cantrell, C. Carnette, P. Carter, B. Collins, T. Collins, K. Damron, A. Dingus, L. Dykes, E. Evans, M. Fields, N. Flanary, T. Forney, M. French, V. French, T. Fulcher, J. Funk, C.

FBLA officers Vandella Stanley, Crystal Jenkins, Candy Bates, and Elizabeth Evans go over their information before a meeting at Clinch Valley College.

Gibson, M. Gibson, T. Greear, M. Greear, A. Greear, J. Hamm, J. Harvey, R. Harvey, A. Hayes, J. Hill, L. Hurley, T. Hutchinson, T. Hutchinson, N. Jackson, C. Jenkins, E. Johnson, T. Johnson, T. Johnson, J. Jonsrud, D. Kern, S. Lane, A. Laney, J. Large, N. Large, T. Large, A. Lawson, M. Ledford, D. McCarty, T. McConnell, J. Meford, L. Melius, J. Mickles, P. Mullins, A. Mullins, S. Mutter, J. Odle, Rachel Olinger, C. Overbay, D. Overbay, M. Perry, A. Plaster, T. Potter, M. Powers, A. Reedy, L. Richardson, S. Riffle, S. Robbins, J. Roop, R. Salyers, J. Sanders, E. Sanders, G. Shull, C. Skeens, B. Sloce, J. Smith, J. Stanely, C. Stanley, V. Stanely, B. Stapleton, B. Stidham, P. Thompson, S. Trapp, A. Turner, A. Vance, C. Vento, W. Wells, K. Whited, C. Woodruff.

Producing Scholars

In order to be inducted into the National Honor Society, students must have a 3.2 grade point average, demonstrate character and citizenship, and be outstanding in service to their school and community.

The NHS does a number of things throughout the year to support their club, like selling candy and

sponsoring the Induction ceremony in May.

The NJHS also sold candy throughout the year. They took field trips to the Hands-On Museum and the Biltmore House. In addition, the club was in charge of the tea after the Induction ceremony.

Rebecca Owens

NHS: Amanda Bartley, April Mullins, Gary Lewis(Vice-President), Sarah Robbins, Candy Bates, Thomas Lester, Jessi Stanley, Tishia Boggs, Amanda Lawson, Allison Davis, Matthew Sargent, Shaun Renfro, Sam Adams, Laura Melius, Jackie French(Secretary-Treasurer), Jennifer Funk, Jeremy Wells, Travis Hall, Felicia Counts, Bernetta Mullins, Suzy Bevins, Perry Owens, Courtney Gibson, Lakisha Dykes(President), Alicia Mefford, Amy Kus, Missy Willis, Cathy Stanley, Jonathan Kennedy, Shannon Smith, Crystal Ball, Jessica Stallard, Tonya Large, Crystal Skeens, Raquel Mullins, Misty Owens, and Elizabeth Evans.

NJHS: Alyson Baker, Timothy Boone, Crystal Carnes, Carson Carnette, Jessica Chainey, Tamara Clark, Jessica Dotson, Chandra Dykes, Vicky French, Harold Glover, Miranda Greear, Timothy Hall, Gabrielle Stinson,

Chad Holbrook, Heather Horne, Timothy Johnson, Jessica Jonsrud, Tiffany Kyle, Megan Ledford, Alicia Lester, Autumn Mutter, Amanda Pennington, Joey Ringley, Amber Rowland, Robin Salyers, Jason B. Sanders, Leann Stallard, Jason Stanley, Stacey Stidham Scott Still, Loretha Ward, Brandi Wells, Whitney Wells, Brian Williams, C.D. Greear, Jessica Broyles, Josh Adkins, Chastidy Clark, Wesley Couch, Kenneth Davidson, Melissa French, Elizabeth Helbert, Lucas Hurley, Nicholas Jackson, Tracy Johnson, Bradley Ketron, Jeria Kiser, Amanda Laney, Natasha Large, Miranda Manies, Crystal Mullins, Brooke Perry, Jon Pope, Amber Puckett, Kari Stodgill, Kelli Whited, Kristi Williams, and Allison Perry.



At the Biltmore Estate in North Carolina, Derek Buchanan, Amber Puckett, Kelli Whited, Brooke Perry, Josh Adkins, Allison Perry, Melissa French, and Miranda Manies pose for a quick picture in front of the lion while Brad Ketron and Scott Still try to hide from the camera.

During their visit, the National Junior Honor Society is being shown by the tour guide, the main attraction, the Biltmore Estate.



NJHS Officers Scott Still, President; Kelli Whited, Sec.; and Megan Ledford, Vice-

President; Jeria Kiser, Treas.



NHS Officers Jackie French, Dykes, President; and Gary Lewis, Vice-President.



Better late than never, Jessi Stanley turns in money to Mrs. Buchanan for a National Honor Society candy-selling project.

Tasting France

The French Club is one of the most active clubs in school. The club participated in a trip on November 29 to Virginia High in Bristol to see a play, "Tartuffe." The annual Mardi Gras was held March 22 in the cafeteria with a little change: Olympic games were held in the gym. On June 2 at Hanging Rock, French Club members joined Spanish

Club members for the finale of all activities, the War Games. After the games, students enjoyed a picnic.

A four-day trip to Canada was enjoyed by Ms. Ward, Missy Willis, Courtney Gibson, Justin Mills, Scott Still, Tim Boone, and Beth French, during Easter holiday.

-Raquel Mullins

The members of this French II class take their time and concentrate hard on each question ensuring passing grades on the test they are taking.



French III student Jackie French patiently waits for her croque-monsieur to finish frying so she can enjoy it with delight.

Enjoying their long Easter break trip to Canada, Scott Still and Justin Mills wait to be served a French dish at a Cafe in Quebec City, Canada.





FRENCH CLUB Sitting: Pres., Israel Hamilton; V. Pres., Brandi Collins; Sec., Raquel Mullins; Treas., Amanda Lawson; Standing: Sgt. of Arms, Perry Owens; Rep., Misti Sayers; Members: L. Addington, C. Ball, S. Bevins, B. Blankenbecler, M. Blankenbecler, C. Bond, A. Boone, J. Bell, T. Boone, T. Browning, J. Broyles, S. Cantrell, S. Carico, J. Chaney, A. Collins, J. Collins, M. Couch, J. Craiger, A. Davis, E. Evans, B. Fannon, M. Fields, R. Flanery, S. Flanery, B. French, J. French, V. French, M. Greear, C. Gibson, H. Glover, A. Greear, E. Gross, M. Hall, T. Hall, J. Hamm, J. Hamm, C. Hampton, C. Holbrook, H. Horne, T. Hutchinson, T. Hutchinson, C. Jenkins, D. Johnson, T. Johnson, J. Jonsurd, T. Kyle, A. Kus, C. Laney, A. Lawson, T. Large, A. Lester, T. Lester, W. Linkous, A. Luther, J. Luther, D. Maine, B. McConnell, B. McConnell, M. McConnell, A. Mefford, J. Mills, L. Moore, J. Mullins, A. Mullins, J. Odle, J. Odle, D. Osborne, R. Owens, M. Pannell, P. Porter, R. Puckett, K. Ramey, J. Ricketts, J. Riggs, J. Ringley, R. Robbins, K. Robinson, A. Rowland, R. Salyers, J. Sanders, M. Shelton, J. Short, S. Smith, C. Stallard, P. Stallard, S. Still, G. Stinson, G. Stanley, B. Stone, T. Teters, S. Tickle, P. Thompson, A. Vance, J. Vance, C. Ventro, L. Ward, B. Wells, J. Wells, W. Wells, B. Williams, K. Williams, M. Willis, S. Wright



Making a beach hut for Mardi Gras attendants who will have to serve a jail sentence, Eric Ratliffe, Beth

French, and Amanda Lawson work frantically to finish it before 6 o'clock.

Opening Doors

Members of the Spanish Club enriched their lives by learning the Spanish language, culture, and history. The students learned about an interesting new culture through fun classroom and out-of-class activities. The Spanish Club members played games, toured Mexico, and experienced Spanish culture by tasting Spanish food and learning

Spanish dances.

Spanish Club students interacted with French Club students in friendly competition twice during the school year. In the spring, they participated in Mardi Gras, where they enjoyed multi-cultural food and competed in Olympic games. They also competed in war games at Hanging Rock in late spring.

-Sharma Smith

Spanish Club Officers
Standing: Sam Adams, Vice President; Tishia Boggs, Treasurer.
Seated: April M. Mullins, Photog-

rapher; Laura Melius, President; and Sarah Robbins, Secretary.



Guarding the door at Mardi Gras, April M. Mullins generously distributes one of her many leis to anyone attending.

Climbing ruins in Mexico, Carson Carnette enjoys the scenery from high above.





Other Spanish Club Members:
J. Johnson, S. Stidham, D. Buchanan, A. Baker, C.D. Greear, B. Holbrooks, W. Taylor, A. Herald, J. Stallard, J. Stanley, C. Mullins, B. Hale, D. Hamm, C. Carnette, D. Falin, R. Robbins, M. Manies, B. Mullins, A. Bartley, S. Lane, J. Carico, K. Moore, B. Holbrook, B. Cantrell, P. Carter, R. Coomer, M. Dingus, M. Castle, C. Collins, R. Lawson, K. Marshall, D. Hamilton, W. Lunsford, B. Bush, T. Greear, C. Carnes, J. Short, J. Stallard, J. Amburgey, A. Counts, A. Sexton, H. Hall, M. Johnson, M. Owens, J. McElrath, B. Addington, L. Stallard, B. Jessee, E. Akers, M. Gilmer, C. Dykes.

Could Robert Robbins, Jonathan Kennedy, and Brad Jessee be questioning their samples of Spanish food or could they just be trying to decide what to try first?

No rivalry here! French club member, Candy Bates and Spanish Club member, Tishia Boggs, work together to decorate for Mardi Gras.



Exploring Earth

The Ecology Club is an environmental group that helps others to become aware of our limited resources.

The Ecology Club won numerous awards, including second place in Keep Va. Beautiful for 1995, a National Certificate of Merit from Keep America Beautiful in 1995, and a finalist award in the National Keep America Beautiful contest.

Some activities mem-

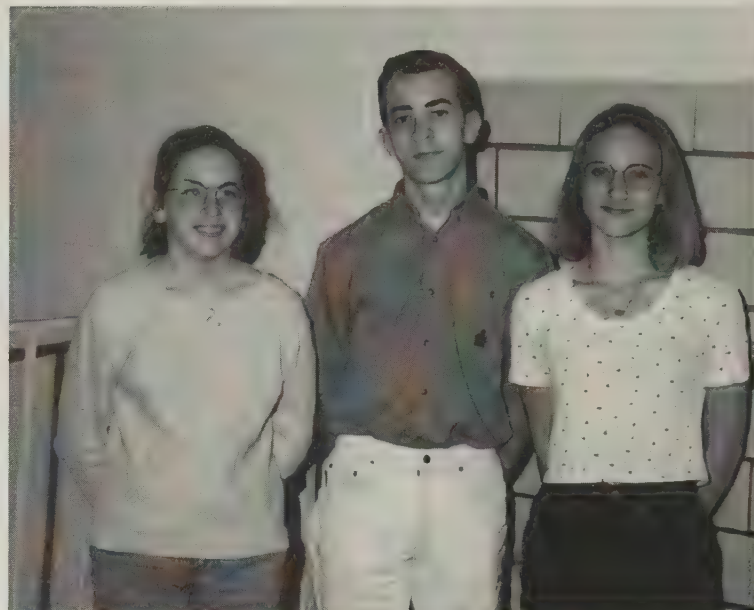
bers participated in were hiking and planning a trail-side stop on the Guest River Gorge, and planting autumn olive trees in the National Forest.

The Young Astronauts is a group that is interested in space exploration. The club took a trip to Bays Mountain and participated in the St. Jukes Bike-A-Thon.

-Deidra Osborne

Young Astronauts Officers: Alicia Lester, Secretary/Treasurer; Robert Robbins, President; Gabrielle Stinson, Vice-President.

Members: J. Adkins, B. Ketron, W. Couch, S. Wright, S. Peters, J. Worley, M. Gibson, C. Ventro.



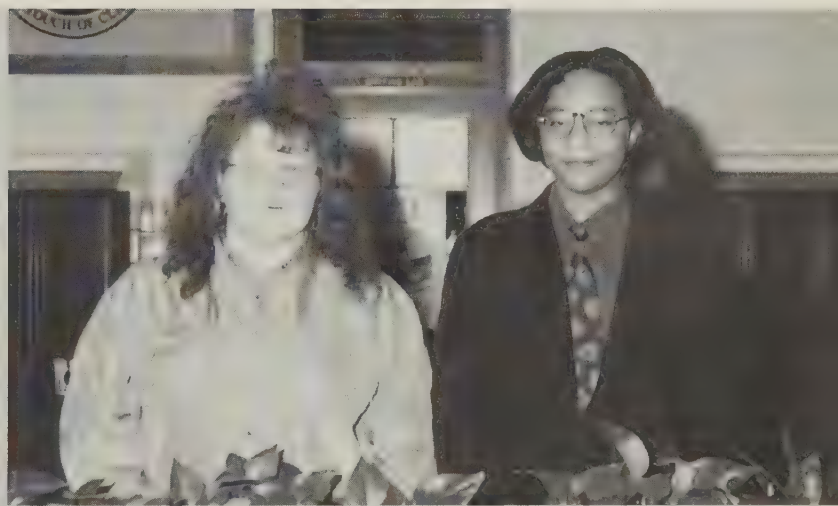
After a long trip to Roanoke, Ecology Club members take a long nap after an educational learning

experience.





Discussing the information on the St. Jude's Bike-A-Thon, Brad Ketron and Mr. Mullins plan out the day's activities.



Ecology Club Officers-Tonya Large, President; Lakisha Dykes, Treasurer; Not pictured: Samantha Carico, Vice-President; Crystal Hayes, Secretary.

Members: Katie Damron, Paula Thompson, Brandy Hayes, Tim Johnson, April M. Mullins, Stephen Large, Crystal Skeens, Jimmy Brown, Chastidy Baber, Monica Dingus, Joel Baker, Tonya Ad-

dington, Courtney Gibson, Melissa Gibson, Alicia Luther, James Worley, Kristy Williams, Chandra Dykes, Shannon Smith, Jennifer Jon-srud, Gary Lewis, Misty Lewis, Amanda Lawson, Jessica Stallard, Sarah Riffle.

Ecology Club members Melissa Rose, Kristie Hall, and Stacy Howard pretend they are forecasting the weather.

Exhibiting Confidence

Forensics had an exceptional year in competitions. In Districts, Amanda Lawson placed 1st in Serious Dramatic Interpretation; Courtney Gibson placed 1st in Spelling; Danielle Kern and Amanda Sayers placed 2nd in Duo Interpretation; James Worley placed 3rd in Storytelling; Missy Willis placed 3rd in Original Oratory; Tisha Boggs placed 3rd in Foreign Extempor-

aneous Speaking; and Beth French placed 3rd in Humorous Interpretation.

At Regionals, Missy Willis placed 1st in Original Oratory; Courtney Gibson placed 1st in Spelling; Beth French placed 2nd in Humorous Interpretation; Amanda Lawson placed 2nd in Serious Dramatic Interpretation; and James Worley 3rd in Storytelling.

Forensics Row one: Garry Stanley and Beth French.

Row two: Matthew Couch, Suzy Bevins, Missy Willis, and Tiffany Stallard.

Row three: Courtney Gibson,

Thomas Lester, Tisha Boggs, Danielle Kern, Amanda Sayers, Amanda Lawson, Allison Davis, James Worley, and sponsor, Mr. Valerie Cox.



Here, Beth French and Courtney Gibson prepare to perform at the state competition.



During a Forensics meet, Mrs. Cox and Missy Willis discuss her speech before her competition.



During the meet at Pound High School, Amanda Lawson receives the award for first place in Serious Dramatic Interpretation.

At districts, James Worley accepts his 3rd place award for Storytelling.



Meeting Challenges

Volunteering to do challenging work during free time was not something most students wanted to do. However, the students in PACE, Odyssey of the Mind, and PACE Art did just that. These students were dedicated and hard-working to meet the challenges they faced in competition. Testing their

knowledge and skills against that of students from other schools was something with which the students of PACE and Odyssey of the Mind were familiar. These were not the easiest activities students could have participated in, but the challenge was why they chose to join.

-Sharma Smith

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND
Kneeling: Erin Worley, Jessica Dotson, and Ashley Mathieson. Standing: Anthony Proulex, Beecher Stansberry, Nathaniel Robinette,

Jennifer Redden, Sasha Turner, Heather Collins, and Heather Hall. Not Pictured: Paul Mullins and Jessica Bryant.



PACE Art student Beth French leaves school one day per month to participate in her art class at the Wise Vocational School.

Playing with the fish of the underwater city, are Heather Hall and Ashley Mathieson. Odyssey of the Mind used an ocean theme to execute their challenge.





P.A.C.E. SCOREBOARD		
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W	Appalachia	L
L	ST. Paul	W
L	J.I. Burton	W
L	Powell Valley	W
W	Pound	W
W	Wise	L

PACE

Sitting: Laura Melius, Thomas Lester, and Tishia Boggs. Standing: Alicia Lester, Sara Peters, James Worley, Eric Ratliff, Robert Robbins, Sharma Smith, Courtney Gibson, Tonya Large, Suzy Bevins, Erin Worley, Rose Jacobs, and Gabrielle Stinson.

Scrambling to beat the other team to the buzzer (and the right answer), Laura Melius, Robert Robbins, Thomas Lester, Eric Ratliff, and Tishia Boggs work steadily on a math problem.



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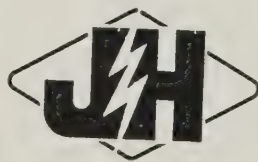
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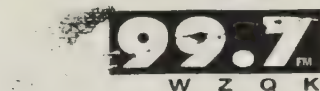


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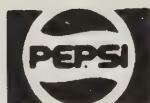
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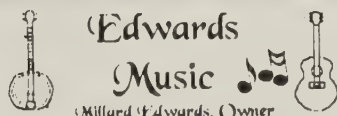
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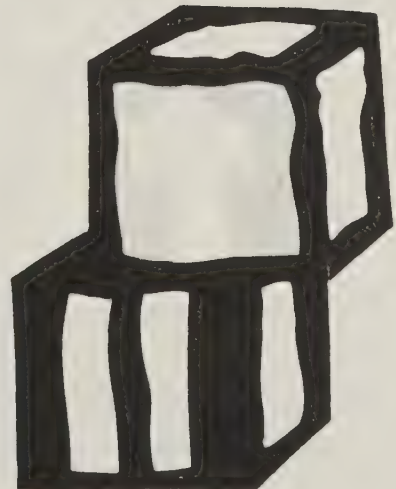
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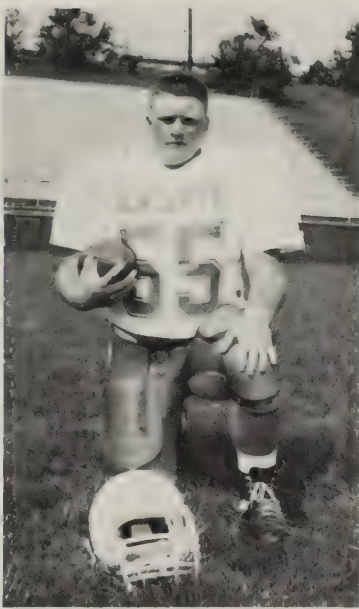
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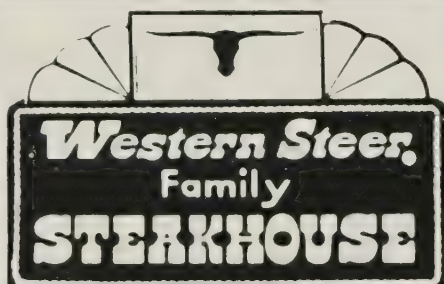
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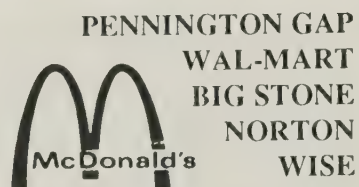


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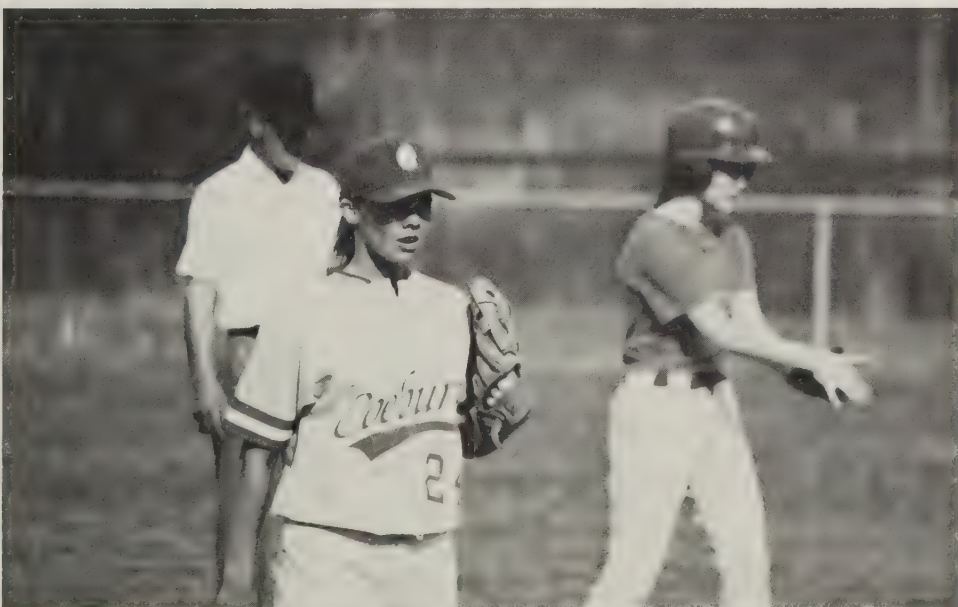
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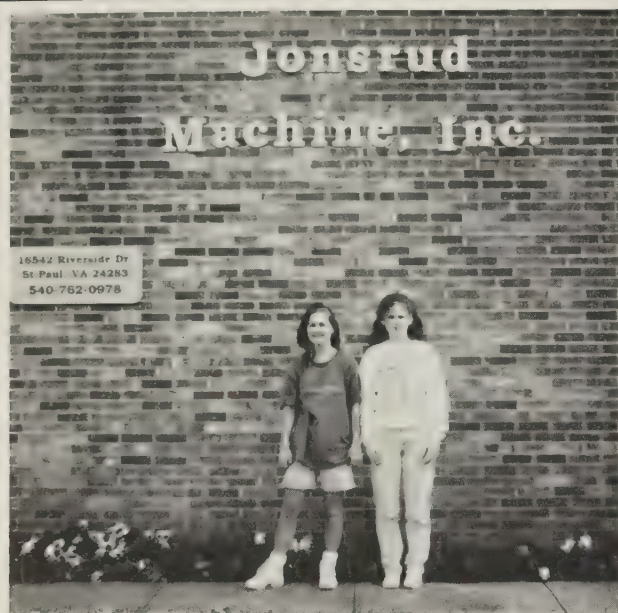


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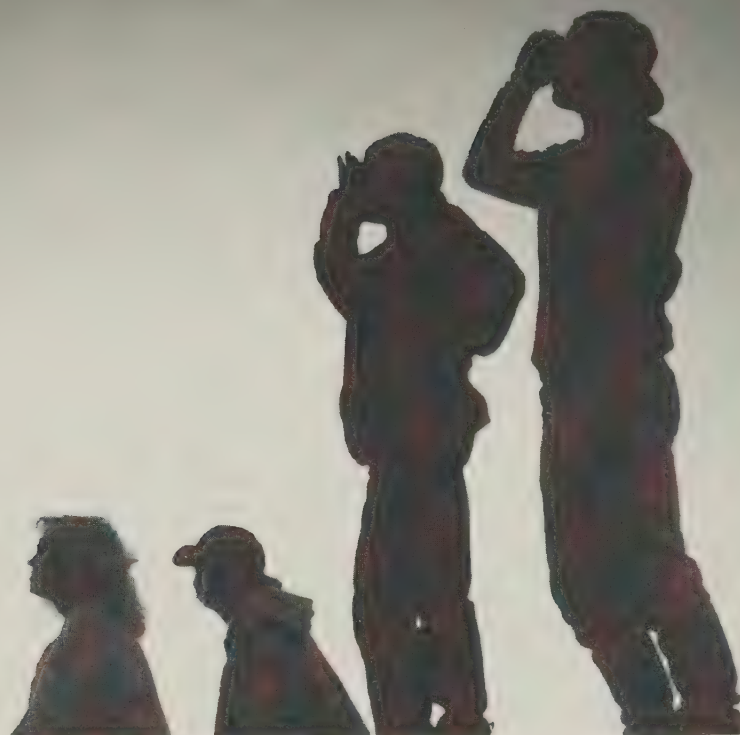
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Gazing out into the distance as the sun sets at Flag Rock, seniors Marci Roberts, Jamie Nixon, Cole Adkins, and Brandon Blankenbecler anticipate what their futures hold for them after their 13 years of school has ended.



Making Our Mark

As the final chapters of the school year were written, Blue Knights nostalgically glanced back one last time, looking for any stray marks that could be fixed and wondering if the copy that they had written with their actions was as impressive as they hoped.

In the pages of national and local news, events were recorded that would impress upon each student how marks, both positive and negative, are made. O.J. Simpson was declared not guilty of the murders of Nicole-Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman after an extremely publicized trial. Snow piled up into feet as blizzards during the winter months struck the eastern seaboard. The crash of ValuJet 109 in the Florida Everglades left few remnants



"It's a dirty job, but someone has to do it!" Brandi Collins and Sidney Flanary take on the task of planting an azalea bush in the Amy Hall Memorial Garden. For years to come, this shrub will be a living reminder to students of how crucial it is not to drink and drive on Prom night and the significance of the Prom Promise.

and airline officials stunned. Americans not only watched Republican Bob Dole and Democrat Bill Clinton scamper for votes before the November presidential election, but they also prepared to host the world at the summer Olympic Games in Atlanta, Georgia. Closer to home, religious leaders in Johnson City, TN, succeeded in preventing the controversial band, White Zombie, from playing a concert in their city; however, metal heads poured in when the band's appearance was changed to Bristol, Tennessee.

At school, groups and individuals alike confirmed that their marks had been made. Scholars received scholarships and were recognized with the praise and glory that they deserved. Athletes pushed themselves to their limits

to succeed in reaching personal and team goals. Groups members triumphed by not only giving themselves and their time to the organization they wished to serve, but by giving back to the school and the community as well. Even individuals who did not fall into one particular category set their own paces whether it was passing the algebra class they had struggled with or simply asking out the blonde girl across from them in homeroom.

No matter what the accomplishment, whether monstrous or minute, public or private, each Blue Knight influenced the school, its extracurricular activities, and the people around them, proving how we all make our mark.

-Beth French

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